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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 5TH, 1906.

THE rumours which have of late been in circulation as to the organisation of a strong party in China with the watchword of "China for the Chinese" have a disquieting appearance; but they will probably prove to be only a re-assertion in more definite shape of what the Chinese have always maintained to be their unquestionable right. It is not unlikely that the cry has been got up by the re-actionary officials as a counterblast to proposals for reform which have been made in other directions, and which there appeared to be some chance of realisation with the assistance of Japanese teachers. Starting upon the assumption that they are beyond the possibility of question superior to all other people, it has been natural for the Chinese to conclude that the advantages which foreign nations had over them were due only to their having certain appliances for war, which the Chinese themselves did not possess. If she only could get command of the same engines and learn how to use them, China, with her superior intelligence, must be able to make head against the outer barbarians. The success which has attended the struggle between Japan and one of the Great European Powers, superficially viewed, would tend greatly to confirm this conclusion; and it is certain that an impression injurious to foreign *prestige* generally must have been produced in some directions. So obstinate and conceited are a large section of the Chinese officials that no experience ever seems to be sufficient to make them abandon the idea that China is able to look down upon foreign nations and must in the long run gain a position which will enable her to reassert her ancient exclusiveness. It is with this class that the present cries have originated, and unfortunately it would be too sanguine to imagine that they are not calculated to cause trouble. Of late years a more enlightened class of officials has sprung up in China, who recognise that foreign nations have to be respected and foreign relations carefully dealt with; and these men will be fully alive to the true state of affairs. Their influence, however, is comparatively weak as compared with that of the mass of reactionaries who are likely to take an opposite view; and thus the door is no doubt open to spread the specious theory that what Japan has proved herself capable of doing the far greater Central Kingdom could readily accomplish, if she once determined upon such a course. It would be idle to ignore the danger that may ensue from the dissemination of such views from official quarters. The plausible cry of "China for the Chinese" might have serious effects if cleverly and persistently reiterated, but it is to be hoped that the more enlightened, both among the official and the general classes, will be able to neutralise the effects that might otherwise be produced.

Among the official classes there must be a large number who are only too well aware that it would be utterly impossible for China, unless totally changed from what it is at the present time, to do anything like what has been accomplished by Japan, if China were ill-advised enough to try issues with any foreign nation. The flattering argument which may take with the ill-informed that what Japan can do China can do, is unfortunately met by the fact that when not a tithe as well prepared for war as she is at present, Japan had an easy victory in a struggle with the Chinese, and what is more important the more enlightened among the Chinese must be aware that the circumstances of the two nations are essentially different. It would take China many years to become sufficiently united to undertake any serious operations against an ordinary European Power with any chance of success, and of this the better informed among the Chinese officials are fully aware. It is not, therefore, likely that at headquarters there will be a desire to show more obstruction and hostility as regards foreign nations than has hitherto been the case. All connected with foreigners and foreign relations has always been distasteful to the Chinese, and the concessions they have made have always had to be forced from them. They have never, like the Japanese, recognised the policy of making friends and supporters of foreign nations by adopting a liberal policy towards them; but have always looked upon them as an unavoidable evil to be kept off as long as possible. The success which has attended the adoption of a different policy by Japan has, however, not been without its effect upon some of the more enlightened Chinese statesmen; but these still continue to be opposed by the majority, and the outcry that has been made is probably designed as a counterblast to the more liberal views. That such a line of action is likely to prove successful we have but too good proof in the past, and we may be certain that it will be adopted with success to the extent, at least, of making Chinese as slow as ever to move in the direction of improvement. But, on the other hand, it is not likely at the present time to have the effect of making China recede from the position which she now holds as regards foreign nations. She may not rapidly advance for some time, but she cannot seriously contemplate throwing off all relationship with foreign nations, as no doubt was the case in early days. If such a thing were possible, the effect of it would be that China would throw herself absolutely into the hands of Japan, who would be forced to again make a stand against her. Of this the high Chinese officials are well aware, and they are not likely to shape their foreign policy in such a direction. On the contrary, they are much more likely to fall back upon their traditional policy of pitting one or more nations against another.

The number of officials in the Hongkong Civil List is 153.

At the beginning of January there were sixteen Civil Servants absent on leave.

We publish on page 5 Police News, Local Sport, and other matter.

There are just twenty members and past members of the Hongkong Civil Service who at present are enjoying titles or other honours.

Nine months' leave of absence has been granted to Captain G. P. Lammert of the Hongkong Volunteers.

The Order in Council applying the second part of the Medical Act of 1886 to Japan is published in the *Government Gazette*.

The *Government Gazette* notifies that Mr. S. Swart will remain in charge of both the Norwegian and Swedish consulates in Hongkong.

The Civil List mentions the names of 29 Pensioned Officers of the Hongkong Civil Service, who draw annually an aggregate of about $57,922.

$30,240,013.91 was received at the Treasury between January 1st and November 30th, 1905, while the payments out for the same period amounted to $33,420,124.55.

Since 1844 there have been ten Colonial Secretaries, ten Colonial Treasurers, nine Chief Justices, and ten Attorneys General. There have been only six Puisne Judges, the first, Mr Henry John Ball, acting in 1862.

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The "Welcome" programme is published in another column. The Reception Committee will be pleased if every householder will illumine his window by night with a red lantern so as to give more effect to the scene which H.R.H. will gaze upon from the harbour.

A circular from the Secretary of State, published in the current *Gazette*, states that H.M.'s Government have been formally notified that the union of Sweden with Norway has been dissolved, and that they have taken official recognition of Norway as a separate kingdom.

There will be no lecture at the Royal Sanitary Institute on Tuesday owing to mobilization. On Friday at 9 p.m. Captain Shinkwin, A.S.C. will lecture on "The appearance of healthy and diseased meat fit or unfit for food; and the most common diseases to be looked for in meat exposed for sale"

Returns of the average amount of bank notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended January, 31st 1906, as certified by the managers of the respective banks, are as under:—

	Average amount	Specie in reserve
Chartered Bank	$ 3,334,898	$ 2,300,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank	18,563,044	13,000,000
National Bank of China	59,550	40,000
Total, ..	$22,008,392	$15,340,000

The fourth of the regulations made by the Governor in Council under Section 3 of the Sugar Convention Ordinance, 1904, on the 30th day of June, 1905, for the Import and Export etc., of Sugar (other than sugar in transit) is hereby amended by deleting the words 'unloads or" in the last paragraph thereof and by substituting a comma for the full-stop at the end of such regulation, and by adding the following clause:—"but on the application of the master or agent of a vessel arriving in the Colony having any sugar on board the Superintendent of Exports and Imports may (without requiring any security) issue a permit for the temporary deposit of such sugar in the Kowloon Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and the said Company shall hold or dispose of such sugar as the Superintendent of Imports and Exports shall direct."

EXCISE OFFICER MURDERED.

TRAGEDY IN THE NEW TERRITORY.

A disquieting rumour was in circulation in the city on Saturday morning which on being investigated proved to have its foundation in the fact that the Chief Excise Officer of the Opium Farm in the New Territory had been done to death in circumstances which pointed to murder. The deceased, Mr. Chau Beng-chan, who had come from Singapore and had proved a most energetic official, was stationed at Taipo, and while it is conjectured that murder was not the aim of the assailants, but rather robbery, it would seem that they had been induced to more violent measures than they had anticipated.

So far as can be ascertained, a party of armed robbers entered the matshed occupied by Mr. Chau Beng-chan in the early hours of Saturday morning. As he had weapons there it is evident they must have taken him unawares, and it is even suggested that there must have been some complicity between his servants and the robbers before they could have gained admission to the matshed. At any rate, when the police were apprised of the occurrence, and Sergeant Lander proceeded to the place, he found Mr. Chau Beng-chan dead, amid many signs of a struggle. It was probably the stout resistance offered that resulted in the fatal deed being perpetrated by the miscreants, who in their haste to escape went off leaving the bundle of loot they had prepared. The police authorities at Hongkong were communicated with, and in the afternoon the police launch proceeded to Taipo and took the necessary steps in the circumstances. The four robbers, with the two chair coolies who were in the employ of the deceased, have disappeared.

It is stated that within the last few days six native excise officers have resigned because they feared impending trouble, and the Opium Farmer is of the opinion that the criminals are likely to be found among the gangs of smugglers.

TELEGRAMS.

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AN OPPOSITION SPLIT.

LONDON, February 3rd.

The efforts to secure a united and strong Opposition have hastened the expected crisis, and an open split between the Free Trade and Protectionist members of the Opposition is regarded as imminent.

CHURCH & STATE IN FRANCE.

SERIOUS RIOTING IN PARIS.

LONDON, February 2nd.

Serious rioting has occurred at the Church of St. Clothilde, Paris, while an inventory of the Church property was being taken (by the State officials).

About one hundred persons were injured in the mêlee.

AUSTRIA AND SERVIA.

LONDON, February 2nd.

The relations between Austria and Servia regarding the Tariff question, have now reached a critical stage.

ITALIAN MINISTRY DEFEATED.

LONDON, February 2nd.

The Italian Ministry has been defeated.

[We take it this refers to the Fortis Ministry which was defeated a month ago on the question of a *modus vivendi* with Spain; but as just before this defeat the Ministry had received a vote of confidence by a majority of 61, there was a good deal of contention as to whether their defeat on the *modus vivendi* question by 153 votes called for the resignation of the Ministry. Signor Fortis, however, tendered his resignation to the King, who reserved his answer for further deliberation. It would appear that by the King's command the Ministry retained office and has been again defeated.]

THE HAMBURG ELECTIONS.

LONDON, February 2nd.

The workmen's representation at Hamburg has been reduced from 70 to 24.

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Mr. BIRRELL AT BRISTOL.

LONDON, February 1st.

Mr. Birrel, speaking at Bristol, said that the Education Bill would be the Bill of the session; he hoped that Christianity, which all were anxious to impart to their children, would not entirely disappear from debates in Parliament; the Liberals sought a national settlement which he believed they could obtain without the least abandonment of avowed principles; but no system could possibly be national unless it commanded a general consent, and for that forbearance must be shown to people differing from them.

THE FAMINE IN JAPAN.

LONDON, February 1st.

The Japanese Embassy has received upwards of £5,000 towards the famine fund.

GREAT BRITAIN AND JAPAN.

LONDON, February 1st.

Arrangements have been made by which four British and three Indian officers will proceed annually to Japan, where they will be attached to the Japanese army for two years, to study the language for the first year, and to perform regimental duties the second.

THE UNIONIST PARTY.

LONDON, February 2nd.

The *Daily Mail* urges a conference between Mr. Balfour and Mr. Chamberlain with a view of uniting the party under Mr. Balfour with Mr. Chamberlain's programme.

ACCIDENT TO LADY GREY.

LONDON, February 2nd.

Sir Edward Grey's wife was thrown out of a trap yesterday, and is still unconscious.

Lady Grey has concussion of the brain; her condition is very serious but not hopeless.

ITALY.

LONDON, February 2nd.

The Italian Chamber has rejected a vote of confidence in the Government by 221 to 118.

DISTURBANCES IN PARIS.

LONDON, February 2nd.

Most serious disorders took place in Paris yesterday; in the church of Saint Pierre, near the Chamber, a crowd of 3,000 barricaded themselves inside the church and hurled stones; firemen climbed on to the roof and turned the hose on to them, while the troops stormed the doors, finally expelling the majority of the crowd, many of whom were drenched and bleeding; an enormous and excited crowd was gathered outside, and incessant scuffles and affrays occurred; the gendarmes charged repeatedly with drawn swords.

HONGKONG'S FINANCES.

In the last issue of the *Government Gazette* appears a comparative statement of the revenue and expenditure for the period ended November 30th, 1905. Statistics as a rule do not afford very entertaining reading, but some of the figures in the table under notice are very suggestive and worthy of consideration. Looking at the totals first we find that the actual revenue up to November 30th was $6,138,896.13 and the actual expenditure $6,209,548.43. Although we have overrun the constable last year, we need not fear bankruptcy, and though it is not considered good business to draw on our resources, yet it is to be inferred that the deficit is more an item of bookkeeping than an actual loss. While the actual revenue falls about a million and a half dollars below the estimates, it is balanced to some extent by the actual expenditure being less than that anticipated, just under a million dollars, so the guess work of the estimates is not so far out after all. Again, it will be noticed that in the previous year we were more fortunately situated, for our revenue was in excess of the expenditure by about, roughly, $200,000. Therefore, figuratively speaking, a fat year has been followed by a lean one. This will become more apparent when subtracting the figures for the two years we get only an increase of $172,000 under revenue, but an increase of $476,000 under expenditure. This would indicate that our income is certainly not keeping pace with our expenditure. Analysing the heads of revenue we find that the only decreases are from rent of government property, land and houses ($27,082·89), and from land sales ($62,211.23). The largest increase is from licences and internal revenue not otherwise specified, $213,822, while the water account gives us an increase of $23,577. It is satisfactory to note that the Post Office can show a progressive record, its revenue having gone up from $387,893 in the similar period of 1904 to $395,034 for last year, although it has not come up to the estimate. Another remarkable feature is that the amount derived from interest, $10,073, is more than double what was estimated, $5,000; but the amount of miscellaneous receipts ($62,908), while showing an advance over those for the same period in the preceding year, is only about one-third of what was expected. Land sales' results are not far short of two million dollars less than was expected, and that account has also to show a decrease of $65,211 when compared with 1904. Turning to the heads of expenditure we are faced with the fact that there are considerably more items which show increases than decreases. The most notable decreases are under the headings of Public Works Recurrant, $91,307, and Land Court, New Territory, $19,610, followed by the charge on account of public debt, $9,354. Last year the Post Office absorbed $521,052, almost double that of the previous period and very much in excess of the estimate. The Botanical and Afforestation Department was not so costly as was anticipated, only $39,489 being spent as compared with $45,643 the previous year. It was about $9,000 under the estimate. The ecclesiastical expenditure was the same as last year, $2,700, but the money spent in education, which few will begrudge, is greater by $5,541 than in 1904, while the cost of medical and bacteriological departments was $888 less. Another item which shows a decrease is the Magistracy, last year's figures being $31,642 as compared with $33,674 the previous year, but the upkeep of police, fire brigade and gaol involved $612,859, a sum which shows an advance of $3,836 on that of the preceding period. The Sanitary Department also calls for an increasing expenditure, last year's figures, $358,980, being $8,757 more than its predecessor. Military expenditure amounted to no less than $1,294,197, an advance of $89,099, while public works extraordinary called for $161,139 more than last year.

THE SHIPPING AND TRADE OF HONGKONG FOR 1905.

During the year 1905 the total number of ships trading to this port was 452,758, having a registered tonnage of 34,185,091. These vessels discharged 4,733,943 tons of cargo, and shipped 3,067,792, while 3,415,418 tons passed through the port. Bunker coal to the amount of 677,418 tons was shipped. The number of passengers to arrive was 5,812,841, of whom 5,511,365 departed, besides 64,341 emigrants. Of the vessels engaged in the trade of the port 3,995 were British and 3,845 foreign ocean going; while in the river trade there were 7,488 British and 975 foreign river steamers. The number of steamships under 60 tons engaged in foreign trade was 1,800, while a fleet of 33,475 junks also traversed eastern seas bringing cargo from various ports to and taking it from Hongkong. Steam launches to the number of 337,913 were engaged in local trade and 63,267 junks, the Star Ferry Company's launches not being included in the former number.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The N.Y.K. s.s. *Bechuana* left Shanghai on the 2nd inst., at 5 a.m., and is expected to arrive here on Monday morning, 5th inst.

The C.P.R. str. *Empress of China* arrived at Vancouver on Friday, the 2nd inst., at 3 p.m.

The str. *Catherine Apcar*, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the afternoon of the 3rd inst., and may be expected here on or about the 8th inst.

The Bucknall Line str. *Matoppo*, from London and ports, left Colombo on the 28th Jan.

THE ROYAL VISITOR.

LATEST OFFICIAL ARRANGEMENTS.

A cable was received from Singapore on Saturday night finally settling details of arrangements for the Royal visit, and cancelling a previous telegram which had requested the postponement of certain proposed events.

We are now authorised to state that the following is the complete programme. The P. & O. s.s. *Dongola*, with His Royal Highness Prince Arthur, and other members of the Garter Mission to Japan on board, is timed to arrive in the harbour at 10 a.m. on Friday, February 9th. Arrangements are being made by the Harbour Master with the owners of launches to make a line of launches dressed with flags from Green Island to the anchorage, and it is hoped also that the passage from the ship to Blake Pier will be lined with boats from the merchant ships in harbour, the occupants of which will receive the Prince as he passes with tossed oars.

Immediately the *Dongola* makes fast H.E. the Governor will proceed on board to call officially on H.R.H. Prince Arthur will be asked to land at Blake Pier at 11 a.m., and will be received there with a royal salute by a guard of honour of 100 of the rank and file of the 129th (Duke of Connaught's Own) Baluchis with the King's colours and band of the regiment. An artillery salute of 21 guns will be fired at the same time from the saluting battery. His Excellency the General Officer Commanding and his Staff will be present with the guard of honour.

After H. R. H. has been received by the guard of honour the reception committee will be introduced by His Honour the Chief Justice, who will present an address of welcome. This will be followed by the presentation of an address by the Hon. Dr. Ho Kai on behalf of the Chinese community, and by Mr. Noma, Consul for Japan at Hongkong, on behalf of Japanese residents in the Colony.

The space south of Blake Pier will be occupied by the Royal West Kent Regiment. Admission within the line of sentries to those taking part in the presentation of addresses, and to the press, will be by ticket. After the addresses have been presented, His Royal Highness and members of the mission will proceed to Government House by following a route which will be lined by the troops, who will present arms by half companies as the Prince passes. The route from Blake Pier to Government House will be by Connaught Road, Wardley Street, Queen's Road and Garden Road (past the Peak Tram Station). The band of the Royal West Kent Regiment will play selections on the New Parade ground during and after the progress of H.R.H. to Government House. H.R.H. Prince Arthur, Lord Redesdale, K.C.V.O., C.B., member of the Mission, Captain Wyndham, Equerry to H.R.H., and Mr. M. W. Lampson, of the Foreign Office, will, while in Hongkong, be the guests of H.E. the Governor. Admiral of the Fleet Sir Edward Seymour, G.C.B., O.M., member of the Mission, will be the guest of H.E. Sir Gerard H. U. Noel, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., General Sir Thomas Kelly-Kenny, G.C.B., member of the Mission, and Colonel Arthur Davidson, C.V.O., C.B., Equerry to His Majesty the King, will be the guests of H. E. Major General Villiers Hatton, C.B.

On the afternoon of Friday, 9th instant, H.E. the Governor will give a garden party, and in the evening an official dinner. On Saturday, 10th, the Royal party will proceed by sea to Deep Water Bay and will be entertained at lunch by the Royal Hongkong Golf Club. They will then proceed by chair across the hills to Happy Valley, and will be received and entertained on the polo ground by the Polo Club. In the evening H. R. H. and party will proceed to the Ko Shing theatre, where they will be entertained by the Chinese community. After dinner they will proceed along the route already indicated to view the illuminations in the Chinese quarter and also in the European quarter. They will then proceed to the Parade ground where a Baluchi and Khattak dance will be given by the 129th Baluchis. H. R. H. will be invited to take a short trip on the harbour to view the general illuminations on the Peak and harbour front.

The committee of Hongkong Club purpose throwing open the Club to ladies after 10 o'clock on that evening. On Sunday the 11th, Prince Arthur will lunch privately with the Duke of Connaught's Own Baluchis at Kowloon, and during the afternoon will visit the Peak. In the evening he will dine privately with H. E. Sir Gerard H. U. Noel. On Monday, 12th, Prince Arthur will dine privately with H. E. Major General Villiers Hatton.

Owing to the death of His Majesty the King of Denmark, Prince Arthur will be unable to attend the races on the 12th and 13th, and the ball at which it was proposed to entertain H.R.H. on a former date has been cancelled.

H.R.H. and the Garter Mission to Japan will leave Hongkong early on Wednesday, the 14th instant, on board H.M.S. *Diadem*, and are due to arrive at Yokohama on Monday, February 19th.

The following regulations, having received the approval of His Excellency the Governor, will be observed on the occasion of the arrival of His Royal Highness Prince Arthur of Connaught:—The P. & O. steamer *Dongola* conveying His Royal Highness will proceed through the Central Fairway direct to No. 4 buoy in the man-of-war anchorage. From the time the vessel leaves Sulphur Channel until she is made fast to the buoy the Central Fairway will be closed to ordinary traffic and no ship, junk or vessel of any description other than those authorised to be in attendance on the *Dongola* may pass in or across the Central Fairway during this period. From 9 a.m. until the *Dongola* enters the Central Fairway the Western end of the Southern Fairway will be entirely closed to traffic and no ship, junk or vessel of any description may pass through the line of launches moored across this entrance. At the disembarkation of His Royal Highness the route from the *Dongola* to Blake Pier will be lined by launches and no junk, steam launch, boat or other vessel except those engaged in the disembarkation may pass in or between the lines.

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The 16th annual meeting of the Hongkong Benevolent Society was held at the City Hall on Saturday afternoon, when the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock presided over a fair attendance.

The Chairman read the annual report submitted by the ladies of the committee. At the outset the ladies expressed their thanks to all who had assisted in carrying out the work of the Society during the past year. In that period 22 cases were brought under the notice of the committee and in 17 of these assistance was given. Other cases, numbering over 40, were assisted through the Rev. J. H. France, who had rendered considerable service to the Society by investigating cases and helping such as were deserving, the Society placing $15 per month at his disposal for this purpose. Employment was found in the Colony for some of the applicants and passages paid for others to various places where they had friends or were likely to find employment. The Society paid for the support and education of four orphans at the Diocesan Girls' School every month in 1905. One had now finished her education and had obtained employment in the Colony as nursemaid. Two girls had been supported at the Italian Convent for the year; one boy at the French Convent; and one girl partly supported at Miss Johnstone's. As the funds of the Society were at a very low ebb in October Major Chapman kindly consented to the proceeds taken at one of the Volunteer concerts being given to the Society. Through the kindness of many people and firms, who generously gave their services and help, and to the committee supporting the concert the funds were increased by the large amount of $1,095. During the year Mrs. Robertson resigned her place on the committee owing to ill-health, and Mrs. Dickson had since acted as president, Lady Berkeley continuing as vice-president. Mrs. Hoare left the Colony during the year, and Mrs. Johnson was elected on the committee in her place. The following ladies retire in rotation from the committee: Mrs. Hickling, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Peter and Mrs. Swan. The two former offered themselves for re-election; Mrs. Peter and Mrs. Swan resign, as they were leaving the Colony.

The CHAIRMAN, having given details of the cases of relief, said it would be seen that the Society had done a great deal of work and would have done more if they had had the funds at their disposal. He should like to see more people subscribe to the funds of the Society and assist them in their work, because all who had offices in the city knew that men often came in for assistance and were given money in order to be got rid of. He objected most strongly to indiscriminate charity and indeed to charity at all to anyone who was able to work. It would be better, in his opinion, if people instead of giving money themselves were to contribute to the Society and then refer all cases to it. By doing so they could be sure that each case would be properly investigated and dealt with on its merits (applause). The accounts showed that they had carried forward $988.03 from last year, and had afforded relief to the extent of $2,368.54, but had it not been for the large sum, $1,095, received through the Volunteer concert they would have a serious deficit to face. He, therefore, appealed to the general public to come forward and support the Society, which he might say was urgently in need of funds. Regarding the Destitutes' Relief Scheme members would remember a resolution which was passed at last annual meeting by which it was decided to adopt His Excellency the Governor's proposal temporarily for a term of not less than a year until the Government had drawn up some scheme to do away with the difficulty. His Excellency had written to say that he wished to continue his subscription and hoped that other guarantors would do the same, at least, during the coming year. From this it would be seen that the Government had evidently not yet been able to draw up any satisfactory scheme. His Excellency was anxious that the scheme for giving relief in deserving cases should be continued, so he hoped that the same guarantors and some fresh ones would come forward.

Mr. Pollock then read the Rev. J. H. France's report of the working of the Guarantee Scheme as follows:—In view of the fear openly expressed by prominent members of the community that the publication of the guarantee scheme would lead to the invasion of undesirables from the surrounding ports it was thought advisable to exercise care in the administration of the funds, and to err in the direction of strictness rather than in that of leniency, and it was made a fixed rule that men who were known to have deserted their ships should not be eligible to receive its benefits. At the same time care was taken that no deserving case that could be brought under the scope of its operations should be neglected. About the middle of the year it was suggested by His Excellency Sir Matthew Nathan that the original scheme should be extended so as to make it available not only for seamen but also for destitute Europeans of all classes. This proposal having been accepted by all but two of the guarantors the scheme on the whole was worked on the wider lines, care however, being taken to reserve the guarantees of the two dissentients for *bond fide* sailors. Ten cases in all were admitted to the benefits of the scheme. Out of this number six obtained employment after longer or shorter periods of waiting. One of this number on the very day on which he became chargeable to his guarantor. One was taken over by the Board of Trade and sent home to England; one through age and infirmity coupled with bad habits failed to obtain employment; a third disappeared from the Colony on the day on which employment was found for him and a fourth, after staying in the Sailors' Home for three days, refused to comply with the reasonable requests of the Home superintendent and left the Home and subsequently the Colony. On the whole, the scheme may be said to have met a real need. A number of men have been enabled by its means to keep afloat during what might otherwise have been a period of absolute destitution, and have thus had a much better chance of getting employment.

Rev. Mr. HICKLING asked if all the guarantors under the Governor's scheme had been called on during the year.

Mr. POLLOCK understood that ten guarantors were not.

Mr. HICKLING supported Mr. Pollock's remarks, but wished to add that no charity should be given to anyone able to work and able to get work. There had been cases during the year of men able and willing to work, but unable to get it; there was also a case in which a man who had been assisted not only repaid the money expended on him, but gave a donation towards assisting other unfortunates. He thought there were many people who would support the Society, but who could not afford to give $12; therefore, they should make it known that they would be pleased to receive smaller amounts. Another important matter he thought should be brought forward was with regard to the increasing number of destitute Americans who were finding their way here from Manila. It was very necessary that the American community in the Colony should come forward with some real assistance towards their relief. When these people endeavoured to call on their own nationals they were turned by underlings, and never succeeded in getting to the fountain head.

Mr. POLLOCK agreed with the remarks of Messrs. France and Hickling, and said he felt sure American residents would come forward now that their attention had been called to the matter of their destitute countrymen.

The election of officers was then proceeded with, the result being as follows:—President, Mrs C. W. Dickson; vice-president, Lady Berkeley; Hon. Treasurer, Mrs Gershom Stewart; Hon. Secretary, Mrs Thomson; Committee, Mrs Badeley, Mrs. Barnes-Lawrence, Mrs Hickling, Mrs Turner, Mrs Marcus Slade, Mrs Saunders and Mrs Browne; Reference committee, Rev. J. H. France, Rev. C. H. Hickling, Rev. F. T. Johnson, Mr. E. A. Hewett, Hon. Dr. F. Clark, and Dr. Thomson.

HONGKONG BOWLING CLUB.

SMOKING CONCERT.

A fairly well attended and apparently fully enjoyed "tabac chantant" took place on Saturday night at the Hongkong Bowling Club. The Chairman, Mr. A. B. Moulder, assisted by the vice-chairman, Mr. W. M. Humphreys, presided, and the former, during an interval, presented to Mr. R. Henderson the "Captain Chenoweth Challenge Cup," which Mr. Henderson had won for the first time in a billiard competition.

The musical part of the programme was greatly enriched by the contributions of Mr. Grace's string orchestra, composed of Messrs. J. Inokay and R. Gutierrez (mandolines), L. Remedios and C. Remedios (guittarras), F. Eça Silva and L. A. de Graca (guitars), Messrs. Geo. Grimble, P. E. Brown and E. Sheffield in turn were much valued pianists.

After a march, "Anona," by the orchestra, Mr. W. J. Terrill sang "In Sweet September," Mr. G. W. C. Burnett, who was the "lion comique" of the evening, sang (in costume and make-up) about "Husbands," and, in response to a unanimous demand, followed with a burlesque of "Where are you going to, my pretty maid?" Mr. Walstow had a similar reception for "At the Pantomime," his encore contribution being called "Single and Married." These music-hall turns were followed by a complete contrast, Mr. Inokay's solo on the Balalika, a Russian stringed instrument of peculiar shape, causing a hush. The melody ("Kiev") was plaintive, mournful, and yet wholly pleasing, and the soloist had to repeat it. Then it was Mr. P. W. Goldring's turn to capture the sympathies of an already delighted company, and this he did completely with a carefully studied and fully able rendition of high-class songs, "My love is como," and (for encore) "A song of Thanksgiving," the latter a most acceptable contribution. Mr. E. G. Jordan sang a parody of "Oh, promise me," which heightened the good humour of the crowd, and Mr. Walstow (who had to leave to perform elsewhere) sang a song of Paradoxes. The second part of the programme was opened by the orchestra with the intermezzo, "Pas d'Espagne," which title was humorously announced as "pass the asparagus." The selection was warmly encored. Mr. Burnett had further triumphs in his stammering song, "B-b-bonnie M-mary of Arg-gug-gug-gyle" (enc.) and a song which illustrated how misleading adages may be. Mr. Grace's violin solo, "Serenade," was encored, as was also Mr. Goldring's expressive singing of "Simon the Cellarer." Mr. Goldring gave "Sally in our Alley" then, with adequate expression, and Mr. Terrill improved upon his own previous contribution with a tastefully modulated vocalisation of a patriotic song, "Comrades to arms." The official programme ended with another humorous contribution by the secretary, Mr. Jordan. The members extended it, however, by a number of voluntary contributions. The hall of the Club, it should be stated, had been converted into a most effective theatre, and looked very well indeed.

The danger of a woman is that she can do nothing in moderation.—Andrew Carnegie.

DISTINGUISHED AMERICAN SOLDIER AT HONGKONG.

The s.s. *Eastern*, which arrived from Manila on Saturday, brought Major-General Corbin, the Officer Commanding the American Army in the Philippines. Major-General and Mrs. Corbin and party were not allowed to leave Manila without cordial farewells. The Manila papers which reached Hongkong coincidentally with the distinguished visitors state that everybody of any importance attended the farewell "At Home" at their residence. The *Cablenews* remarks in its editorial columns:—"By the departure of Major General Corbin the army in the Philippines loses an able and energetic commander, and the government a constant friend and keen adviser. It remained for General Corbin to make the army an arm of the civil law, after division chiefs had apparently exalted it above the governing power. General Corbin achieved this within less of dignity and without friction, smoothing over the disagreements between the military and the civil, and acting always for the right. During his tour of duty in the Philippines, he has brought to fruition a number of plans for improvement, and has originated and set in motion others. The great post at Fort William McKinley owes much to him, and the cantonment at Baguio is his solely. Though two commanders were here after war had ended before him, Corbin may well go down in history as the first peace chieftain in the islands. He first recognized the fact that the civil had supplanted the military. The *Cablenews* expects that when his service in the army is over, as it will be in September, he will be given a fitting post abroad, which he would adorn."

Major-General Corbin and Mrs. Corbin (who is a beautiful woman of the best American type) are at the Peak Hotel, and intended to depart by the s.s. *Korea*.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT].

February 3rd.

PRACTICALLY "DO IT YOURSELF."

I am told that the Viceroy has cabled a message to the following effect to the Board of Commerce in Peking:—"If it is a mistake to raise funds locally for the Canton-Hankow Railway, it is better to appoint a high official from Peking to come here and take over the management of railway affairs and see to its construction." No reply is mentioned.

VICEROY AND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

In his message to the Chamber of Commerce, of which I sent you a full translation the other day, the Viceroy promised to afford full protection to any resolute and energetic person who would undertake to raise funds and construct the railway. This, it is said practically puts the affair in the hands of the merchants, as the officials will have nothing to do with the matter. In consequence, the merchants of the 72 guilds have consulted Lai-Kwai-pui, and Lai has urged them to take the matter up at once, as this seems a chance for them to get control of the business.

The 72 guilds and the eight charitable institutions have now issued the following express:—

"The Canton-Hankow railway has been redeemed by the combined strength and vigorous efforts of the Kwangtung people, who were determined to get it back. Tens of thousands of people were of one mind and all are anxious to see the completion of this railway. Owing to the trouble of last year, the matter has been delayed. It is now our duty to take immediate steps to raise the necessary funds to construct it, so as to adhere to our original idea in redeeming the concession. All Cantonese people are invited to attend a meeting which will be held in the Chamber of Commerce. Please do not grudge using your legs to come there. We are anxiously looking forward to see you attend."

THE NEW TAXATION DEFEATED.

The Viceroy is very much vexed at having suffered defeat. It is said that Taotai Wen Tsung-yao, seeing his Excellency so dejected, spoke to him as follows:—"In all dealings with the Cantonese people the officials must show a firm hand and must use threats to intimidate them, so that they are certain to give in and gratify your Excellency's desires." It appears Wen Taotai has been the cause of Viceroy Shum's repeated efforts to bring forward the question of increased taxation. On the 24th of last month the Viceroy sent a memorial to the Throne recommending seven officials to be cashiered, for not reporting the truth and deceiving him as to what actually occurred in the course of the dispute at the meeting.—From official sources I am informed that the seven officials are the Prefect, the Nam Hoi, the Poon-Yu, the Railway deputy Chou Cho-yam, the Police deputy Cheong Shing-ling, and two others, probably Wen Tsung-yao and Heung Man-wing.

The Police deputy is very angry with the Poon-Yu Magistrate, on whom he throws all the responsibility, as he gave him to understand that it was the Viceroy's order that Lai-Kwai-pui should be arrested. He says he will never forgive him if he loses his situation.

OFFICIAL TRANSFER.

Taotai Chau-Hai-wai, who was recently delegated to attend the grand manœuvres of the northern armies, is transferred to Szechuen, his term of office as President of the Cheong-Pui College having expired.

DISPUTED OWNERSHIP.

It is reported that Viceroy Shum has received a long telegram from the Waiwupu requesting him to forward explanations regarding the seizure of $400,000 worth of coal, said to belong to Chau-Tung-shang. The British Minister has protested against this seizure, as the coal is said to belong to the National Bank of China.

HONGKONG AND THE HOUSING QUESTION.

[WRITTEN FOR THE "DAILY PRESS."]

The housing of the population of Hongkong is a question that has exercised the minds of our authorities for many years and despite earnest attempts at its solution the problem still faces us. There is no disguising the fact that the evils of overcrowding are as pronounced as they were before the passing of the Public Health Ordinance in 1903 and that notwithstanding glowing reports of good work done there is evidence that only the fringe has been touched. Admittedly the resumptions which have been undertaken by the Government have proved of incalculable benefit to the areas which were so fortunately situated as to come within their scope, but they have been very costly, and the work has been so tardy that it does not seem inopportune now to suggest that the existing conditions demand the application of more speedy measures, either as palliatives or reforms.

With a view to bettering the housing of the Chinese, the whole of the Sanitary and Building Ordinances were consolidated in one Bill which became the "Public Health and Buildings Ordinance of 1903." One of its principal provisions was the abolition of cubicles, the idea being that speculators would be compelled to build suitable houses which would contain legal rooms, but unfortunately the desired result has not been achieved and the enactment is for all practical purposes nugatory. True, the wooden partitions which divided the floor of the Chinese house into so many apartments have been removed—thus complying with the letter of the Ordinance—but they have been replaced by cloth curtains or sacking, which are more objectionable inasmuch as they afford less privacy and are dirtier and more insanitary. This we can affirm as the result of independent inquiry.

From the superficial observation exercised by the ordinary citizen taking a walk through Chinatown it is very apparent that the densely packed hovels, more like rabbit hutches than the dwellings of human beings, are a menace to the public health and certainly no credit to any community. In the neighbourhood of Old Taipingshan the unsightly erections, swarming with people, with squalor, filth and dirt staring the visitor in the face, are veritable dens of darkness. Supposing we enter any of these houses, what do we find? The most wretched conditions in which it is possible to imagine any people. Take a typical house, not the worst by any means. It is three or four storeys in height. Each storey consists of one long room, about 60 feet in length and 13 feet in width, and a kitchen attached. The ground floor is perhaps occupied as a workshop, with sleeping accommodation for about ten persons beyond. The second floor is usually a family flat. The owner lets it to one person at a rent varying from $14 to $24, dependent on the locality, and he or she sublets it in portions to a number of married couples, usually six, occasionally more, who pay rents sufficient to afford a margin of profit to the actual tenant. As the room is long and narrow, extending from the front of the house to the back without lateral windows, it will be easily understood that the greater part of the apartments are in darkness and also deficient in ventilation; only the cubicle next the window has any light or fresh air. The occupants of the others, if they wish to do any work, must light lamps or candles, even in broad daylight. Truly, a sad state of affairs. But this is not all. Besides the families which occupy the cubicles—and a cubicle really consists of a bed space curtained off, affording little or no privacy and absolutely not the slightest degree of comfort or convenience—there are as a rule several beds or bunks in the remaining portion of the room on which the tenant or perhaps some single men may sleep, and the amount of overcrowding which this arrangement causes is sometimes to have over 20 people sleeping in one room. The third floor may be a man's flat, and consists of a number of bunks, certificated to accommodate 10, 12, or 14 persons. With the exception of the outside walls, the building is of the flimsiest wood, and it is not difficult to imagine what an awful death roll there would be should the premises catch fire.

There is only one stuffy little kitchen available to the residents of each floor for culinary uses. Other conveniences there are none, not even a constant supply of water, and there can be little wonder that with darkness, absence of fresh air, overcrowding, lack of ordinary conveniences, not to speak of a plentiful supply of water, and impossibility of enjoying ablutions, it is very difficult to keep those cubicles clean.

Were the law enforced and only legal rooms permitted, *i.e.*, a window provided for each cubicle, some measure of improvement would be apparent, but at present the only result of enforcing the law abolishing cubicles is to harass the unfortunate tenants who experience a bad time when the Sanitary Inspector comes round and insists on the woodwork being taken down. The owner escapes all the worry and trouble except perhaps indirectly, when he may experience difficulty in letting a floor, but that contingency will not occur very often in a city where overcrowding is so rampant as here.

That the problem is not an insoluble one has already been proved. As your correspondent "Pro Bono Publico" recently pointed out, a block of houses has just been erected on the east side of Hill Road, capable of accommodating at least 300 people. There the six tenements have lateral windows, a very ordinary convenience has been placed in each, and there are proper apartments, well lighted, and on the whole possessing some degree of comfort and privacy. In existing tenements that are not on areas selected for resumption the application of similar methods as a palliative is surely not unworthy of consideration, pending some more drastic measure of reform which will not be so slow nor so expensive as the present policy of resumption.

MISSIONARIES ATTACKED.

SENSATIONAL AFFAIR AT CANTON.

There was great excitement on the Shameen on Saturday morning when it became known that the residence of Dr. Andrew Beattie, who, with his wife, has practically made the care of lepers their life's work, was forcibly entered on Saturday morning by a gang of armed robbers. Surrounding the American Presbyterian Mission, which is situated at Fati, they held up the inmates, and while several seized Dr. and Mrs. Beattie, bound them hand and foot, others ransacked the house and collected all the valuables—money, watches, silver, clothing, etc., to the value of over $1,000. Pistols held at the heads of the missionaries prevented them from raising the alarm, but the assailants did not attempt to carry into effect the threats which they made towards the Doctor and his wife. Naturally, the occurrence has caused great excitement among the foreign residents who feel uneasy, and the Viceroy has been asked to have the culprits promptly arrested and punished.

ANGLO-FRENCH QUICKSILVER & MINING CONCESSION (KWEI-CHAU PROVINCE) OF CHINA (LTD.)

An extraordinary general meeting was held on Dec. 29th at Winchester House to consider resolutions to reconstruct this company, and with that object to wind it up voluntarily, to appoint Mr. H. A. H. Russell (secretary of the company) liquidator, to authorise him to consent to the registration of a new company, and to approve a scheme of arrangement to be submitted to the meeting. Mr. C. J. Buckland, who presided, moved the first resolution, which affirmed the desirability of reconstructing the company. He said that the board gave the shareholders a hint last year that the company's resources were nearly at an end, and a reminder to a similar effect was given in a circular issued last July. After waiting in vain for several months for good news about the concessions the directors had called the shareholders together without being able to report that they could make progress with the development of the property. With regard to the mining portion of the undertaking, work had lately been confined to the development of mines at Wen Shan Chiang and to the production of quicksilver and cinnabar. In the early part of the year they did a great deal of exploring work, and came to the conclusion that about a third of the province of Kwei-Chan contained a great deal of mineral which they considered belonged, under the concession, to the company. Their resources were small, and they could not do more than locate a number of what appeared to be good mines. He could not give encouraging news about the company's railway concession. According to the newspapers the Chinese were endeavouring to realize their position in view of the result of the war between Russia and Japan; he supposed they were trying to show the world that they had some new blood. The company were doing very well indeed with their mining at Wen Shan Chiang, although they had as yet failed to get the additional mines for which they were negotiating. Excellent ore was being obtained from two of their mines. The directors' report giving full information of the year's work and the company's position, would shortly be in the hands of the shareholders. Under the proposed scheme of arrangement the preference shares would be assessed at 2s 6d, a very low amount, but he thought it would be sufficient to lead the company on to great success. The board intended to call on the Chinese Government to make good the loss which had been incurred by the company through the failure of that Government to fulfil their obligations under the concession. Unless the company got compensation soon, a very large sum would be asked for. The cause of the non-payment of dividend was the obstructive policy of the Chinese Government. Sir Gerard Smith, in seconding the motion, said that if the Chinese Government had carried out only half their obligations the proposed reconstruction would have been unnecessary. Ever since he joined the board the company had been labouring under the persistent open and concealed opposition of one of their own directors, Tcheng Ming-yuen, who had been foisted upon them as the representative of a Chinese syndicate, and to secure whose removal from office negotiations were going on. Tcheng Ming-yuen had encouraged the natives who were working certain mines within the scope of the company's concession to refuse to give them up. The money which the company would obtain under the reconstruction should be applied to strengthening their position at Wen Shan Chiang and in enforcing, with the aid of the British and French Governments, the company's claims against the Chinese. The company had endeavoured to get the railway concession settled, and the British Minister at Peking had, to a limited extent, interested himself in taking note of their requirements. They must maintain their rights. It was stated that the Chinese were about to re-enter upon the concessions they had given to various people, that they were not going to give any new concessions, and that they were going to make a claim of "China for the Chinese." He had no objection to that, but if the Chinese wanted the concessions back they must pay for them, and recompense the shareholders for the loss due to the obstructive tactics which had been pursued. Mr. A. W. Stirling, solicitor to the company, explained the scheme of arrangement and stated that the nominal capital of the new company would be the same as that of the present undertaking. It would take certain cash assets of the present company (excepting certain cash in hand at the bank and in China), and in payment would issue to the liquidator or his nominees 169,946 shares of £1 each with 17s 6d credited as paid. The scheme apportioned to the shareholders one share in respect of each preference share, one in respect of every four founders' shares, and one in respect of every five of the ordinary shares. A question had been raised with regard to the equitable nature of the suggested proportions allotted for founders' and ordinary shares. This matter was still open to discussion, and certain alterations might be effected. The principal feature of the scheme was that there would be no classes of shares. In the course of a discussion, Mr. Thomas said that about five years ago the company had liquid assets to the extent of £70,000. He moved an amendment rejecting the scheme and appointing a committee to examine the accounts of the last five years. Mr. Wolsey seconded the amendment. Mr. J. S. Rubinstein, who stated that he represented a number of foreign shareholders, asked for an adjournment of the meeting. Eventually the amendment was lost and the resolution was adopted, as were also the remaining resolutions.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 4th at 12.5 a.m.—The barometer has fallen in N. China and Formosa, and risen over S. China and E. Japan.

The high pressure area lies over the Yangtsze, and pressure is relatively low over the Pacific to the S. of the Loochoos.

Strong monsoon will prevail in the Formosa Channel, and the N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Moderate N. winds; cloudy, some rain.

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T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 5th February, 1906. [345

LOST.

A GOLD BRACELET set with small Diamonds. Finder will be rewarded on returning same to "CROWSNEST," Barker Road, or to 27, Des Vœux Road Central.
Hongkong, 5th February, 1906. 346

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Hongkong, 5th February, 1906. 347

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

MARINERS are hereby warned that an extra good Look out should be kept and Lights be shown brightly burning during the nights of the 5th and 6th inst., as H.M. Ships will probably be manœuvering without lights on these dates.

L. BARNES-LAWRENCE,
Captain R.N.,
Harbour Master, &c.
Hongkong, 5th Febuary, 1906. 348

NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that, on and after WEDNESDAY, the 7th Feb., the SUPPLY of WATER within the area bounded by the undermentioned streets will be controlled by bringing the RIDER-MAINS into operation, and that the water will be turned on to each rider-main daily for about one hour between the hours of 6 and 10 A.M.:—

1. On the North by Connaught Road Central.
   On the South by Des Vœux Road Central, Queen's Road Central and Wellington Street.
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   On the West by Wing Sing Street and Ramsey Street.
2. On the North by Lyndhurst Terrace, Gage Street and Gough Street.
   On the South by Hollywood Road.
   On the East by Pottinger Street.
   On the West by Shing Wong Street.

W. CHATHAM,
Water Authority.
Hongkong, 5th February, 1906. [349

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
On FRIDAY,
the 9th February, 1906, at 2.30 P.M., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Vœux Road (Corner of Ice House Street),
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Catalogues will be issued.
TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 5th February, 1906. 350

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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THE Company's Steamship
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General Managers.
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1906. 343

WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

TENDERS will be received at the HEAD QUARTER OFFICE, Fletcher Street, until 12 o'clock NOON, on FRIDAY, 16th February, 1906, for the undermentioned SUPPLIES AND SERVICES, for the period of 12 Months from 1st April, 1906:—

1. Meat.
2. Hospital Supplies and Medical Comforts.
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4. Oil, Wick, and Barrack Supplies.
5. Coal, Coke, Wood and Charcoal.
6. Barrack Services and Scavenging.
7. Washing.
8. Transport Services (Supply of Launches, Junks, Coolies, &c.).
9. Forage.

Forms of Tender and any particulars can be obtained on application to this Office, personally or by letter, addressed to the OFFICER COMMANDING ARMY SERVICE CORPS, between the hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M.

The Tenders must be properly filled up and signed, and dated, and no tender will be noticed unless delivered upon the proper form at the Head Quarter Office by 12 o'clock NOON on the above date, in a closed envelope marked "TENDER" on the outside.

The right to reject any or all Tenders is reserved.

Head Quarters Office,
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906. [335

INTIMATIONS

CONNAUGHT RECEPTION.

OWING to the DEATH of the KING OF DENMARK, the Reception Committee regret to announce that the BALL to be given by the COMMUNITY OF HONGKONG to H.R.H. PRINCE ARTHUR OF CONNAUGHT is CANCELLED.

W. ARMSTRONG,
Hon. Sec. Ball Committee.
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1906. 338

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M. S. NORTHCOTE,
Business Manager.
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1906. 339

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE.

FROM this date, and during the Absence of MR. GEO. L. TOMLIN from the Colony, MR. C. PEMBERTON has been Appointed ACTING SECRETARY to the Company.

A. G. WOOD,
Chairman.
Hongkong, 31st January, 1906. [309

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE 1906 RACE MEETING will be held on MONDAY, 12th FEBRUARY, and TWO FOLLOWING DAYS, not on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd March, as previously arranged for.

In all other respects the programme as issued will stand.

By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 4th January, 1906. [147

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Hongkong, 15th February, 1905. [108

PUBLIC COMPANY

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders will be held in the OFFICES of the COMPANY, Queen's Buildings, New Praya, on MONDAY, the 26th FEBRUARY, 1906, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1905.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 26th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
THOS. I. ROSE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1906. 319

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, Victoria Buildings, TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), the 6th FEBRUARY, 1906, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1905.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 29th January, to TUESDAY, the 6th February (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the
HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY Co., LD.,
Agents for the
KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING Co., LD.
Hongkong, 19th January, 1906. [250

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, Alexandra Buildings, Des Vœux Road, Central, on SATURDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY, 1906, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1905.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 3rd to 12th February, 1906, both days inclusive.

J. D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 30th January, 1906. [302

THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTY-NINTH ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, HOTEL MANSIONS, on THURSDAY, the 15th FEBRUARY, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of Receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, confirming the appointment of Directors and electing Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 15th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1906. [280

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD.

THE TWENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, at 12.30 P.M. on THURSDAY, 15th February, to receive a Statement of the Company's Accounts to 31st December, 1905, and the Report of the General Managers.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th to 15th February, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
General Managers.
Hongkong, 30th January, 1906. 301

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company at Queen's Buildings, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the SIXTEENTH day of FEBRUARY, 1906, at 12 NOON, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the subjoined special Resolutions. Should the said Resolutions be passed by the required majority, they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Dated the 25th January, 1906.

By Order of the Board,
JAMES WHITTALL,
Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS:

(1). That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in the following manner:—

The following Article shall be substituted for Article 130, namely:—

130. The Board, through its Secretary, shall make Yearly Statements of the Accounts of the Company from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of December, in each and every year, which shall be duly audited and presented to the Shareholders, at each of the Ordinary Meetings of the Company, together with a Report on the general position of the Company.

(2). That the Board, through its Secretary, shall make a Statement of the Accounts of the Company as from the 1st day of May, 1905, to the 31st day of December, 1905, which shall be duly audited and presented to the Shareholders at the next Ordinary Meeting of the Company to be held during 1906 and that, inasmuch as the Accounts of the Company have already been audited and presented to the Shareholders to the 30th April, 1905, no further or other Statements of the Accounts of the Company for the year 1905, shall be called for by or presented to the Shareholders in respect of Article 130 as this day substituted. 281

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 24th day of February, 1906, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1905.

By Order of the Court of Directors.
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906. [334

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 10th, to the 24th day of February (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors.
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906. [333

AUCTION

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,
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Hongkong, 25th January, 1906. [283

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1906. 155

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The Undersigned, AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 30th June, 1905. [1567

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO.
OF AIX-LA-CHAPELLE.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 21st April, 1897 113

L'UNION OF PARIS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company are prepared to accept Risks against Fire at current rates.

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. 29

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LOCAL SPORT.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

HONGKONG CLUB "A" v. CIVIL SERVICE C. C.

This League match was played on the ground of the Hongkong Club on Saturday afternoon, and ended in a very easy victory for the "A" team by 116 runs, the Civil Service being outplayed at every department of the game. For the "A" team Messrs. Daniel, Mackenzie and Ponsonby batted well. Scores are:—

HONGKONG CLUB "A."

E. A. Fowler, b Brett	15
W. J. Daniel, run out	62
P. Jacks, c Lamble, b Witchell	16
A. Mackenzie, c Reed, b Jackman	32
R. A. B. Ponsonby, not out	26
C. B. Pigott, run out	15
A. R. Lowe, st Biden, b Lamble	9
J. H. Gardiner, b Brett	2
Extras	4
Total for 7 wickets	181

W. Penke, T. C. Gray and A. S. Cobden did not bat. Innings declared closed.

CIVIL SERVICE C.C.

G. A. Woodcock, b Penke	8
A. R. F. Raven, c Ponsonby, b Daniel	0
R. C. Witchell, run out	10
P. T. Lamble, l.b.w., b Fowler	16
F. A. Biden, b Pigott	11
W. L. Weaver, c Mackenzie, b Pigott	3
C. H. Sharman, b Fowler	1
E. H. Reed, b Fowler	1
H. T. Jackman, b Fowler	12
W. H. Kelly, not out	1
L. E. Brett, b Fowler	0
Extras	2
Total	65

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

H.K.C.C. "A."

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Daniel	7	1	23	1
Penke	7	1	17	1
Pigott	7	3	12	2
Fowler	6.4	2	11	5

CIVIL SERVICE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Raven	7	—	24	—
Brett	17.4	6	37	2
Reed	6	1	18	
Witchell	7	1	32	1
Jackman	5		25	1
Lamble	7	1	41	1

CRAIGENGOWER v. ARMY STAFF.

This match was played on Saturday and resulted in a win for Craigengower by one wicket and 47 runs. The following were the scores and analysis:—

ARMY STAFF.

Sergt. O'Neill, c Irving, b Pestonji	18
Sergt. Ovenden, c Lammert, b Ford	8
Lieut. Frost, b Irving	6
Corp. Steele, c Rose, b Pestonji	5
Sergt. Hutton, b Pestonji	8
Sergt. Woodroffe, b Pestonji	1
Capt. Shinkwin, c Rose, b Lammert	0
Sergt. Heponstall, b Pestonji	12
Corp. Rogerson, not out	5
Pte. Holbrook, b Pestonji	0
Extras	2
Total	67

CRAIGENGOWER C.C.

J. D. Kinnaird, b O'Neill	31
F. Irving, c Hutton, b O'Neill	11
M. F. Asger, run out	10
R. Basu, c O'Neill, b Steele	4
R. A. Rose, b O'Neill	18
R. Pestonji, b O'Neill	4
F. E. Lammert, c Rogerson, b O'Neill	10
J. W. Stewart, c Woodroffe	11
R. B. Cooper, c sub., b Woodroffe	0
J. Fatholm, not out	7
E. S. Ford, did not bat	—
Extras	6
Total for 9 wickets	112

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

ARMY STAFF.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Pestonji	16	5	33	7
Ford	8	4	14	1
Lammert	3	1	12	1
Irving	4	2	4	1

CRAIGENGOWER C.C.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
O'Neill	14	4	43	5
Rogerson	2		19	—
Steele	7	1	21	1
Woodroffe	4.3		21	2

PARSEES v. NAVAL YARD.

The Parsees lost this match by 29 runs. Vasunia played in his usual style for them, and Bacon batted and bowled well for the Naval Yard. Following are the scores:—

PARSEES.

Vasunia, b Jordan	24
Batliwala, b Bacon	2
Nalladam, b Bacon	1
Captain, b Bacon	0
Mehta, run out	1
Kanga, b Bacon	0
R. Jamshedji, b Jordan	4
Chinoy, c Adams, b Jordan	0
Tarapore, not out	2
Bejonji, b Bacon	1
Extras	—
Total	35

NAVAL YARD.

Bacon, b Captain	23
Hurlow, c Kanga, b Captain	3
Collins, b Kanga	8
Rees, b Captain	4
Adams, b Captain	2
Babcock, b Kanga	0
Bowen, b Kanga	3
Jordan, b Kanga	1
Brown, not out	14
Gibbons, b Kanga	0
Davey, b Kanga	2
Extras	4
Total	61

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

PARSEES.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Kanga	16.4	—	24	6
Captain	19	1	36	4

NAVAL YARD.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bacon	6.1	—	22	5
Jordan	6	—	13	3

FOOTBALL.

ROYAL WEST KENTS v. H.M.S. "TAMAR."

This was a Shield match, and attracted a large number of spectators to the military ground at Happy Valley on Saturday. The players were:—

West Kents: Watling; Adams and Thomson; Edwards, Morris and Falshaw; Trevena, Falkner, Ogle, Moss and Clements.

Tamar: Flowers; Wilkinson and Bonford; Mill, Ridley and Randell; Denman, Robinson, Ball, Platt and Woolley.

Tamar opened the game by forcing their opponents to defend. Both Robinson and Woolley essayed to pass the Kent's goalkeeper, but were unsuccessful. Adams relieved by placing the leather in midfield, from whence Wilkinson returned it after a jugglings exhibition which puzzled two of the Kents. When before their stronghold, a penalty was given against the soldiers. Platt took the kick, but failed to net. Shortly after the kick-off play had to be stopped owing to an accident to Clements of the Kents, who was carried off the field with a damaged knee. After a spell of a few minutes, however, he again took the field but came to grief in the second half and had to retire. Ridley, one of the *Tamar's* best men, was also hurt and the sailors had to continue without his assistance. The Kents bore down on their opponents' net, and after a lengthy fight before it Trevena succeeded in putting them one up. Ogle netted another, but it was not allowed, as the whistle sounded before he took the kick.

Half-time: West Kents, 1; *Tamar*, 0.

The opening of the second half witnessed the Kents pressing on the *Tamar's* citadel, but the defenders set up a big fight, and the keeper turned off a number of well-directed shots. Denman eventually footed the leather out, and Platt was carrying it along nicely towards the Kents goal, but his attempt to score was defeated by the backs. Denman took a pretty shot, but the keeper returned it, and again the soldiers led the attack. Ogle sent in a shot, which struck the horizonal and some rough play followed before the posts. A well-directed shot by Moss was turned off by Flowers, who, however, was damaged in the charge of the Kent forwards, and again play had to be stopped for a time. On resuming Trevena was favoured with an opening, and, taking advantage of it, notched a second goal.

Result: West Kents, 2; *Tamar*, 0.

H.M.S. "DIADEM" v. H.M.S. "ANDROMEDA"

This game, which proved very exciting, was played on the Naval ground. At half-time the score was 1-0 in favour of the *Andromeda*, but in the second half the *Diadem* warmed to their work and did most of the attacking and scoring.

Result: *Diadem*, 4; *Andromeda*, 2.

THE CHARTERING OF NEUTRAL SHIPS.

The Marine Insurance correspondent of the *Times* writes on Dec. 30th:—

In the following letter Mr. T. Baty, secretary of the International Law Association, refers to the case of the American steamer *Australia* confiscated by the Japanese Prize Court (appeal). The facts, as alleged by the Japanese Court, were taken by me from a full translation of the text of their judgment. Neither the *Australia* nor the *Montara* was alleged by the Japanese to be directly employed "in furtherance of the operations of war." Both these vessels were engaged in taking out stores from the United States to Kamtchatka and bringing back skins. In the *Australia* case the Japanese Court claimed that she was really chartered by the Russian Government, and in consequence became an enemy vessel; in the *Montara* case it was claimed that, as she was engaged in a close trade under special licence from the Russian Government, she became virtually an enemy vessel:—

Sir,—If the statement of your Marine Insurance Correspondent is correct, that a neutral ship has been condemned in Japan for the mere offence of having been chartered for four months by the Russian Government or its agents, it is to be expected that the Court of Appeal will refrain from upholding so startling a contention.

It might be argued that the captors were entitled to hold the vessel until the expiration of the charter, but international law takes no account of such refinements, and determines the question by a simple reference to the neutral ownership of the ship.

The matter is different if the ship was in fact employed by the charterers in furtherance of the operations of war; and it may turn out that such was the case in the present instance. Or participation in a close trade of the belligerent Russians (such as the *Montara's* sealing voyage) might raise the presumption of unneutral conduct. But the mere employment of a vessel by a belligerent for purposes only remotely connected with the war can afford no ground for condemning it, even if the charter-party invested the belligerent with complete control.

The principle according to which the conveyance of belligerent troops or despatches entails liability to confiscation has never been extended to the carriage of contraband, much less of innocent goods. The mere fact that the ship has demonstrably been hired by the enemy to carry them can hardly operate to extend the category beyond those well-known objects and others strictly analogous. It can set the stamp of illegality on an otherwise ambiguous adventure, but that is all. Can it be thought that the charter of a British ship by Russia for the conveyance of building stone to Archangel would have rendered the ship liable to condemnation as having interfered improperly in the war?

The position of chartered ships is a novel one. Prior to the Declaration of Paris, the belligerent was content to seize the cargo as enemy goods. Now he must attack the ship and accuse her of unneutral conduct before he can touch the cargo. This is only another illustration of the manner in which the Declaration has actually made the position of the neutral less secure.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

T. BATY.

1, Mitre Court Buildings, Temple, Dec. 28.

POLICE COURT.

:o:

Saturday, February 3rd.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (FIRST POLICE MAGISTRATE).

REFUSING DUTY.

Three of the crew of the s.s. *Simla* were proceeded against by the captain for refusing to obey lawful commands on the 2nd inst.

Defendants admitted the charge, but stated that they refused to work as the captain would not allow them to go ashore to see the Harbour Master. They wished to see him with regard to some meat on board which they considered he should see.

The Captain informed his Worship that the Harbour Master recommended sending the men home if they were discharged; he did not wish to keep them on board.

They were each sentenced to three weeks' imprisonment with hard labour.

A NEW FLEDGED COMRADE.

Chan King-hong was arraigned on the charge of stealing a diamond ring valued at $200 from another native.

According to the evidence the complainant first met Chan on Thursday night. On the following day the defendant visited the complainant, and together they went to a Club and took tea. On sallying forth again Chan asked to see his friend's ring. It was handed over and he put it on his finger, shortly afterwards losing his friend. He pawned the ring for $70, and was later arrested on a Canton boat.

His Worship sentenced defendant to two months' imprisonment with hard labour.

TRAINING NOTES.

There was a larger gathering than usual at the race course on Saturday morning, when most of the ponies were galloped. The attendance included H.E. the Governor, his A.D.C's. and many ladies. Training took place on the outside course, and the times taken were:—

Kamloops, 1½m., steady, 49, 1.16, 1.50, 2.26 3-5, 3.02, 3.38 2-5.

Rosthern, ½m., 41 2-5, 1.21, 1.58 2-5, 2.36, 3.11 1-5, 3.46 2-5.

Quaich, 1½m., 42, 1.19, 1.54, 2.23, 3.03½, 3.40.

Sycee King, ¾m., 33, 1.05 4-5, 1.39.

Exchange King, ¾m., 37, 1.11, 1.42 2-5.

Gold King, 1½m., joined by a bay pony ½m., 34 3-5, 1.09, 1.45, 2.18 3-5, 2.52 4-5.

Zanzibar and Old Boy, 1½m., 37, 1.12, 1.45, 2.20, 2.58 2-5, 3.36 2-5.

Triumph Rose and Himalaya Rose, 1½m., 33 4-5, 1.08 1-5, 1.45 2-5, 2.20 2-5, 2.52 2-5 Himalaya 3 seconds behind.

Glorious Rose, 1½m., joined by Rambler Rose, 1½m., 26 2-5, 1.10 3-5, 1.44 4-5, 2.21, 2.57, 3.31.

Spotted Rose, 1½m., started in bad mood, 36 2-5, 1.12 2-5, 1.47 3-5, 2.21 2-5, 2.58 1-5, 3.32 2-5.

Arab Chief and Lucky Chief, 1½m., 34, 1.08 4-5, 1.41 3-5, 2.20 2-5, 2.56 1-5.

Highland-mat and Highland Star, 1½m., ?, 39, 1.15, 1.49 1-5, 2.22 3-5.

Common Rose, 1½m., 36, 1.12, 1.49 2-5, 2.24, 2.58.

Frechdachs, 1m., 37, 1.11, 1.45 2-5, 2.21.

Wakolyn, 1½m., 36 2-5, 1.11 4-5, 1.49 2-5, 2.23 3-5, 2.58 2-5.

Skirl and Promised Land, 1m., 32½, 1.07, 1.43, 2.19. Promised Land, 2.23.

Sirocco, 1m., 38, 1.16 2-5, 1.53 2-5, 2.26 2-5.

Sundial, 1½m., 39 3-5, 1.14 3-5, 1.51, 2.26 2-5, 3.01 4-5.

Zapster and Jovial Morn, 1m., 33½, 1.09½, 1.47, 2.23½.

Red Herring and Spring Chicken, 1m., 36, 1.13½, 1.51½, 2.26½ ? 3.38.

Ingot (Alderton up), ¾m., ? 35 3-5, 1.06.

Pilot, ¾m., 36, 1.11½, 1.46 2-5.

Rabbit, accompanied by Soup Meat, ¾m., 30 4-5, 1.05 3-5, 1.42.

Gaberlunzie, ¾m., 37, 1.15, 1.05 3-5.

Shimoesite and Cordite, 1½m., 44, 1.20, 1.54 1-5, 2.30, 3.08 4-5.

Aconite and Melinite, ¾m., 37, 1.11, 1.44 2-5.

Lyddite, ¾m., 35, 1.10.

Speculation, 1m., 35, 1.14, 1.48 2-5, 2.21 3-5.

Brockville, ¾m., ? 36, 1.10.

Highland Chief and Alarm, 1m., 38 3-5, 1.15 4-5, 1.51, 2.28.

Rover, 1½m., ?, 33 1-5, 1.08 2-5, 1.44, 2.19. Total time reported 2.59.

Gipsy King, ¾m., 37½, 1.13, 1.45 3-5.

Maori King, joined by Erl King, ½m., 37 2-5, 1.15 4-5, 1.50 2-5, 2.23 1-5.

Diadem, 1½m., 42, joined by Rising Sun, 1m., total time 3.06 for Diadem.

Sonenoid, ¾m., 33, 1.09, 1.48 1-5.

Norman King, 1½m., 37, 1.13, 1.49 3-5, 2.27, 2.59 4-5.

La France Rose, 1½m., 40, 1.13, ?, ?, 3.04, 3.37½, 4.14.

Blue Nile, 1½m., last mile taken, 2.14.

Beancake, 1½m., 36, 1.11½, 1.47, 2.21, 2.54.

Sunrise Rose, 1½m., joined by Bush Rose, ½m., 39, 1.15, 1.51 2-5, 2.30, 3.04, 3.36.

Drogheda and Donnybrook, 1m., 34, 1.07, 1.42 1-5, 2.17 3-5.

Ca-Canny, 1m., 36, 1.12, 1.49, 2.24 4-5.

White Blaze, 1½m., 40, 1.16 2-5, 1.49, 2.30 2-5, ?, 3.38.

Highland Laird, 1m., 37 4-5, 1.11 2-5, 1.46 2-5, 2.18 4-5; finished strong.

Saxonia and Grafton, ¾m., 36, 1.10, 1.44.

Czardas, 2m., 41, 1.20, 3-5, 201, 2.38 first mile; second mile, 35, 1.11 1-5, 1.46, 2.18.

The majority of unpopular persons are sensitive. Privately, but none the less deeply, do they deplore their own shortcomings. They become lonely and retiring and secretly embittered and discouraged, for they feel ill at ease, awkward, and self-conscious in the presence of strangers. All their lives they are hampered and distressed by the knowledge that when on matters of business or pleasure bent their want of a pleasing way places them at a very great disadvantage.—Emily Holt in "The Secret of Popularity."

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich Georgand Co., in their weekly share list, dated February 3rd, say:—During the week under review, business has remained very slack, and hardly any improvement is noticeable." The sterling demand rate on London closes at 2s 07-16d, while rates on Shanghai are unchanged. Bar silver in London is quoted 30¼d, and Consols £90½.

BANK SHARES.—Small sales of Hongkong and Shanghais are reported at $895, and there are further sellers; the London quotation is unchanged, viz., £96. Nationals can be placed at $38.

MARINE INSURANCE SHARES.—Unions changed hands and are wanted at $735. China Traders have been fixed at $91, but shares are on offer at that figure. Cantons have advanced to $170, and North Chinas at Tls. 22½.

FIRE INSURANCE SHARES.—Hongkongs remain on offer at $325, while a few lots of Chinas fetched $88.

SHIPPING SHARES.—Hongkong, Canton and Macaos, after sales at $25¾ to $26, are a shade quieter, and a few are on offer at $26. Indo-Chinas sold at $95 to $97, and are wanted now at the higher rate; London quotes £10 10s, and Shanghai Tls. 70½ buyers. China and Manilas have been disposed of at $20. Douglases continue in request at $40. Hongkong Steam Waterboats go begging at $12. Star Ferries, as well as Shells, are unchanged.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars sold at $207½ to $211, and close with buyers at $210; sales at $213 to $217½ for end of March are reported. A few Luzons can be placed at $25.

MINING SHARES.—Nothing doing. Raubs are weaker again with sellers at $4½.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, &c.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's shares have been done at $16½, closing steady; the Company has plenty of work in hand just now; Geo. Fenwicks and New Amoy Docks are unchanged. Farnhams are a bit easier again, and latest quotation from the North is Tls. 128. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's shares are obtainable at $198, Shanghai and Hongkew's are quoted Tls. 227½ buyers.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company's shares sold in a small way at $124 cum dividend, and are quoted now $120 ex the final dividend of $3½ per share paid yesterday. We have added to our share list the aforenamed "Hongkong Land Reclamation Company, Limited." For three years this Company could do mainly only development work; but being able last year to sell a portion of the reclaimed land at a handsome profit, the Company was able to pay its shareholders for last year a dividend of $9 per share, besides carrying $383,058.73 forward to credit of new profit and loss account. Kowloon Lands have buyers at $40.

West Points have sellers at $53 ex final dividend $1.90 per share paid yesterday. Hongkong Hotels are quiet at $149. Humphreys' have been done at rates ranging between $12½ and $13, and have sellers at $12.90; Shanghai Lands are quoted Tls 120.

COTTON MILLS.—Shanghai quotations are unchanged. Hongkong Cottons had a spurt and are in demand at $14½.

SUNDRY MANUFACTURING COMPANIES.—Hongkong Electrics, old shares, have been done and are wanted at $15½; new shares have buyers at $14¾. Green Island Cement shares sold at $29 to $31, closing with buyers at $30½. Ices have buyers at $245. Other stocks under this heading are unchanged.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Langkats have advanced to Tls. 227½. Wm. Powells sold at $11. Other stocks under this heading are unchanged.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

AFRICAN MONARCH, British str., 2,380, A. Walker, 3rd Feb.—Port Kembla, Australia, 13th January, Coal.—Order.

CLARA JEBSEN, German str., 3rd February, from Canton.

COURTFIELD, British str., 2,874, J. W. Martin, 2nd Feb.—Bombay 17th January, Cotton.—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

EASTERN, British str., 3,586, G. H. Powell, 3rd February,—Australia, via Manila 1st Feb., General.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

FOOKSANG, British str., 1,987, Sawer, 4th Feb.—Swatow 3rd February, Nil.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

GERMANIA, German steamer, 3rd February, from Canton.

HAIMUN, British str., 636, A. J. Robson, 4th February.—Swatow 3rd February, General. Douglas Lapraik & Co.

HANGSANG, British steamer, 4th February, from Canton.

HANOI, French str., 730, Merlees, 3rd Feb.—Haiphong 30th Jan. and Hoihow 2nd Feb., General, Pigs and Cattle.—A. R. Marty.

HANS WAGNER, German str., 965, Hagemann, 3rd Feb.—Swatow 2nd Feb., Ballast.—Lauts, Wegener & Co.

JOHANNE, German str., 952, Iplund, 3rd Feb.—Haiphong 31st Jan. and Hoihow 2nd Feb.; General.—Jebsen & Co.

PAKHOI, British steamer, 4th February, from Canton.

TSINAN, British str., 1,460, C. Lindbergh, 3rd Feb.—Australia 11th January, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

WIK, German str., 2,900, Carsteur, 3rd Feb.—Mororan 25th Jan., Coal.—Jebsen & Co.

YEDDO, British str., 2,974, David Baird, 3rd Feb.—New York 7th Dec. and Singapore 28th January, General. Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
February 3rd.

Eastern, British str., for Shanghai.
Suisang, British str., for Calcutta.
Wongkoi, German str., for Bangkok.

DEPARTURES.

3rd February.

DENBIGHSHIRE, British str., for Nagasaki.
FEI, Norwegian str., for Tsintao.
KANSU, British str., for Kobe.
LOONGMOON, German str., for Shanghai.
MACHEW, German str., for Bangkok.
NUBIA, British str., for Yokohama.
PETCHABURI, German str., for Bangkok.
RUBI, British str., for Manila.
TAIYUAN, British str., for Australia.
WINGSANG, British str., for Shanghai.
YUENSANG, British str., for Manila.

February 4th.

CHIYUEN, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
DAIGI MARU, Japanese str., for Tamsui.
HAILAN, French str., for Pakhoi.
HAITAN, British str., for Coast Ports.
HELENE, German str., for Hoihow.
HOPSANG, British str., for Shanghai.
STIKLESTADT, Norwegian str., for Bangkok.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Tsinan* reports: Fine weather and moderate winds.

The British str. *Eastern* reports: Experienced seasonable weather throughout.

The British str. *Haimun* reports: Moderate northerly wind and drizzling rain.

The British str. *Fooksang* reports: Strong N.E. winds, cloudy sky and clear weather throughout.

The British str. *Yeddo* reports: Sighted one large spar in lat. 2 N., long. 104.41 E., on the 28th Jan., at 3 p.m.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"GREGORY APCAR,"

Captain J. G. Olifent, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, 5th Feb., at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1906. 295

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT.
Taking Cargo at Through Rates to
TAWAO, LAHAD DATU, LABUAN, JOLO, ZAMBOANGA AND MENADO.

THE Company's Steamship

"BORNEO,"

Captain F. Sembill, will leave for the above places TO-MORROW, the 6th February, at 9 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
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Agents.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1906. [391

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID AND NAPLES,

(If Sufficient Inducement Offers.)

THE Steamship

"RHENANIA,"

Captain Förck, will be despatched for the above ports on or about the 10th February.

The steamer has splendid accommodation for passengers and carries a duly qualified doctor and stewardesses.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
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Hongkong, 13th January, 1906. [206

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THE Steamship

"CAPRI,"

Captain Belsito, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 12th February, at NOON.

At Bombay the Steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to
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Agents.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1906. [4

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked K, nearest Hongkong H, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon M, and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf K.W., together with the number denoting the section.

SECTIONS.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4 From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAMES	FLAG & RIG	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP	BENARTY	Brit. str.	—	Sarchet	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.	About 4th inst.
LONDON, &c., VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	ARCADIA	Brit. str.	—	W. W. Cooke, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 10th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	JAPAN	Brit. str.	—	E. P. Martin, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 14th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	GLENSTRAE	Brit. str.	—	J. McGillivray	MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW	About 22nd inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	PATROCLUS	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 13th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SAINT BEDE	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 27th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	ACHILLES	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 13th Mar.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	ALCINOUS	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 27th Mar.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	DIOMED	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	TEENKAI	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th April.
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	CALEDONIEN	Fren.str.	—	Gregory	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	To-morrow, at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, ANTWERP (DIRECT)	KOUANG SI	Fren.str.	—	Barillon	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	About 12th inst.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	PREUSSEN	Ger. str.	—	R. Meyer	MELCHERS & Co.	On 14th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	BRISGAVIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Russ	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	To-day.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	RHENANIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Förck	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 9th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SPEZIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Porzelius	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Ehlers	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 7th Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SCANDIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	v. Döhren	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SILESIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Bahle	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 4th April.
TRIESTE, &c., VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	AUSTRIA	Aus. str.	—	Colledani	SANDER, WIELER & Co.	On 5th Mar.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	ANTENOR	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th inst.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	PELEUS	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th Mar.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	AGAMEMNON	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th April.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	ST. GEORGE	Brit. str.	—		DODWELL & Co., LD.	About 15th inst.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	EMPRESS OF INDIA	Brit. str.	2 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 7th inst.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	TARTAR	Brit. str.	1 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 21st inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	HYADES	Am. str.	—	J. Alwan	DODWELL & Co., LIMITED.	On 13th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) SEATTLE, &c. VIA JAPAN	YANGTSZE	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst.
SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN	MINNESOTA	Am. str.	—	J. H. Rinder	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	About 16th Mar.
PORTLAND, OREGON VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	ARABIA	Ger. str.	—	Metzenthin	PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. Co	Early in Feb.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA PORTS	SEMINOLE	Brit. str.	—		SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	About end of Feb.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	Lenz	MELCHERS & Co.	To-morrow, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	EASTERN	Brit. str.	—	Powell	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.	On 3rd Mar., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TSINAN	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 8th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	WILLEHAD	Ger. str.	—		MELCHERS & Co.	On 13th inst.
YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	JAVA	Brit. str	—	S. Barcham	P. & O. S. N Co.	About 20th inst.
JAPAN VIA SHANGHAI	TJILATJAP	Dut. str.	—		JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI	HANGSANG	Brit. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.	To-day, at 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI	KOONSHING	Brit. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.	To-morrow, at 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TOURANE	Fren.str.	—	Girard	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	About 5th inst.
SHANGHAI	ICHANG	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 7th inst.
SHANGHAI	DONGOLA	Brit. str.	—	G. Philipps	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 9th inst.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	ANPING MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Kobayashi	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	About 15th inst.
TAMSUI VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAIJIN MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Ohta	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 11th inst., at 10 A.M.
ANPING VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DECIMA	Ger. str.	—	Schlaikier	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 8th inst., at 10 A.M.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	PAKHOI	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
SWATOW	HAIMUN	Brit. str.	—	A. J. Robson	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.	To-morrow, at 11 A.M.
MANILA	TAMING	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Brit. str.	—		JARDINE MATHESON & Co.	On 9th inst., at 4 P.M.
MANILA	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—	R. Rodger	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 10th inst., at Noon.
MANILA	RUBI	Brit. str.	—	R. Almond	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 17th inst., at Noon.
AMOY, MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	KAIFONG	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
SANDAKAN & KUDAT	BORNEO	Ger. str.	—	F. Sembill	MELCHERS & Co.	To-morrow, at 9 A.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	GREGORY APCAR	Brit. str.	—	J. G. Olifent	DAVID SASSOON & Co., LD.	To-morrow, at 3 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	FOOKSANG	Brit. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.	To-morrow, at 3 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	LAISANG	Brit. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.	On 10th inst., at 3 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, &c.	RHENANIA	Ger. str.	—	Förck	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	About 10th inst.
SINGAPORE & BOMBAY	PEKIN	Brit. str.	—	W. R. Le Marc, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 14th inst.
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE & PENANG	CAPRI	Ital. str.	—	Belsito	CARLOWITZ & Co.	On 12th inst., at Noon.

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† SHANGHAI	"KOONSHING"	Tuesday,	6th Feb., 3 P.M.
* MANILA	"LOONGSANG"	Friday,	9th Feb., 4 P.M.
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Hongkong, 20th December, 1905. [20

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Hongkong, 5th February, 1906. [15

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Hongkong, 11th December, 1905. [19

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"NUMANTIA"	4,370	Feldtmann	April 8th, 1906.

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S. SILVERSTONE, ACTING GENERAL AGENT.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1906. [13

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"TOURANE,"

Captain Girard, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about MONDAY, the 5th February.

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Hongkong, 17th January, 1906. [2

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

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S.S. "TONKIN" ... ... 3rd April.
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Hongkong, 24th January, 1906. [2

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"ARCADIA,"

Captain A. G. Cubitt, R.N.R. carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay on SATURDAY, the 10th February, at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's s.s. *Britannia*, 7,911 tons, from Colombo. Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. *Arabia*, due in London on 24th March.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1906. 1

THE ORIENTAL PACIFIC LINE.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO VIA PORTS.

THE Steamship

"SEMINOLE,"

Tons 6060, will be despatched about end of February.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1906. 300

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at MANILA, PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"EASTERN,"

Captain Powell, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 3rd March, at NOON.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1906. [324

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE

S.S. "WING CHAI,"
Captain T. Austin, R.N.R.

THIS Steamer departs from Hongkong, on Week Days, at 8 A.M.; and on Sundays at 8.30 A.M.: Departs from Macao on Week Days about 2.30 P.M. and on Sundays at 5.30 P.M. if tide permits

FARES—(week days) 1st Class (including cabin and servant), Single $3, Return Ticket $5 2nd Class $1. 3rd Class 50 cents.

Every Sunday will be on Excursion, at the following rates:

1st and 2nd Class, Single Ticket $1, Return $2. 3rd Class, Single 30 cents, Return 50 cents, Steerage 10 cents.

Meals can be had on board.

Tiffin and Dinner can be supplied either on board, or at the Macao Hotel, for returning Passengers only, at an extra charge of $2.

On Sundays, Passengers desiring to have a Private Cabin, which has accommodation for two or more Passengers, will be charged $3 extra.

First Class Passengers who do not care to return on the Excursion Sunday, will be allowed to do so the following day (Monday) on production of the Return Half Ticket. Should the Steamer not run on the Monday, owing to the Boiler cleaning, due notice will be given by the Captain, and the Half ticket will be available for the following day.

The Steamer is lit throughout by Electricity.

The Steamer's Wharf at Hongkong is at the Western end of Wing Lok Street.

MING ON & CO.
2nd Floor, 16, Victor Street.

Hongkong, 7th October, 1904. 21

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. LD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN, NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA AND SUMATRA PORTS.

EUROPEAN SERVICE.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"PELEUS"	On 6th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"ALCINOUS"	On 13th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"LAERTES"	On 20th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"YANGTSZE"	On 21st February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"DIOMED"	On 27th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"AGAMEMNON"	On 6th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"TEENKAI"	On 13th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"MACHAON"	On 20th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"KEEMUN"	On 21st March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"KINTUCK"	On 28th March.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PATROCLUS"	On 13th February.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	On 20th February.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"SAINT BEDE"	On 27th February.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ACHILLES"	On 13th March.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS"	On 20th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ALCINOUS"	On 27th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"DIOMED"	On 10th April.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	On 20th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"TEENKAI"	On 24th April.

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

Operating in conjunction with
THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.
AND TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING TO ALL OVERLAND COMMON POINTS IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND CANADA.

EASTWARD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, & all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"YANGTSZE"	On 24th February.
	"KEEMUN"	On 24th March.

WESTWARD.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA and PACIFIC COAST	"PINGSUEY"	On 7th February.
	"OANFA"	On 1st March.

For Freight, apply to—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1906. [9-10

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	† "PAKHOI"	On 5th February.
AMOY, MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	* "KAIFONG"	On 6th February.
MANILA	* "TAMING"	On 6th February.
SHANGHAI	† "ICHANG"	On 7th February.
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	* "TSINAN"	On 8th February.

* The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.
† Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtsze and Northern China Ports.
‡ Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand Ports and other Australian Ports.
REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.
For Freight or Passage, apply to—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1906. [11

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICES BETWEEN HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	THE CO.'S S.S.	LEAVING
* TAMSUI VIA SWATOW AND AMOY, SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW	"DAIJIN MARU" H. OHTA	SUNDAY, 11th Feb., at 10 A.M.
	"ANPING MARU" N. KOBAYASHI	About THURSDAY, 15th Feb.
ANPING VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	THE CHARTERED S.S. "DECIMA" SCHLAIKIER	THURSDAY, 8th Feb., at 10 A.M.

* These Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with electric light.
† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtsze and Northern China Ports.
For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office at No. 8, Des Vœux Road Central.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1906. T. ARIMA, Manager. [14

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
SHANGHAI	DONGOLA / G. Philipps	About 9th February	Freight and Passage.
LONDON &c., VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	ARCADIA / W. W. Cooke, R.N.R.	Noon, 10th February	See Special Advertisement.
LONDON and ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	JAPAN / E. P. Martin, R.N.R.	About 14th February	Freight and Passage.
* SINGAPORE and BOMBAY	PEKIN / W. R. Le Mare, R.N.R.	About 14th February	Freight only.
YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE	JAVA / S. Barcham	About 20th February	Freight and Passage.

* Calling at Penang if sufficient inducement offers.
For further Particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1906. [1

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

BOSTON S. S. CO. BOSTON TOWBOAT CO.
CONNECTING AT TACOMA WITH
NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR
VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA
VIA
MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing Date.
HYADES	3,753	J. Alwen	On 13th February.
TREMONT	9,606	T. W. Garlick	On 20th February.

‡ Cargo only.

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION, ATTENDANCE AND CUISINE. ELECTRIC LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESS.
The twin-screw s.s. "SHAWMUT" and "TREMONT" are fitted with very Superior Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers. The large size of these vessels ensures steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room. Barber's shop and steam laundry. Cargo carried in cold storage.

PARCEL EXPRESS TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.
For further information apply to—
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
GENERAL AGENTS.

QUEEN'S BUILDINGS.
Hongkong, 12th January, 1906. [7

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.
EUROPEAN LINE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG.
STEAMERS WILL ALSO CALL AT GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.
TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN, NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.		SAILING DATES. 1906
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY	14th February
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY	28th February
PRINZESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY	14th March
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY	28th March
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY	11th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY	25th April
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY	9th May
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY	23rd May
ROON	WEDNESDAY	6th June

ON WEDNESDAY, the 14th day of FEBRUARY, 1906, at NOON, the Steamship "PREUSSEN," Captain R. Meyer, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.
Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 12th February. Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 13th February, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 13th February.
Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.
The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses.
Linen can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO NAPLES, GENOA AND GIBRALTAR	£61 0 0	£42 0 0	£22 0 0
return	91 0 0	63 0 0	33 0 0
TO SOUTHAMPTON, LONDON, BREMEN AND HAMBURG	65 0 0	44 0 0	24 0 0
return	97 0 0	66 0 0	36 0 0
To NEW YORK VIA SUEZ	64 0 0	44 0 0	26 0 0
VIA NAPLES, GENOA OR GIBRALTAR	115 0 0	79 0 0	47 0 0
return	68 0 0	46 0 0	27 0 0
VIA BREMEN OR SOUTHAMPTON	123 0 0	83 0 0	49 0 0
return			

In the event of the passenger leaving the Mail Steamer at Naples, Genoa or Gibraltar and travelling to Bremen or Southampton overland THE SAME RATES TO BE APPLIED AS VIA NAPLES, GENOA OR GIBRALTAR, but in this case the cost of the railway trip, etc., to be at passenger's expense.
TOUR VIA INDIA:
Passengers have the option of using a Steamer of the British India S. N. Co., from SINGAPORE TO CALCUTTA instead of an Imperial Mail steamer from Singapore to Colombo. The cost of the journey from Calcutta to Colombo by rail or steamer is, however, not included.
INTERRUPTION OF THE VOYAGE IN EGYPT:
Passengers to European and New-York are entitled to travel by the N. D. L. Mediterranean Steamers from ALEXANDRIA, to Naples or Marseilles instead of using an Imperial Mail Steamer from PORT SAID.

JAPAN-CHINA-AUSTRALIAN LINE.
VIA NEW GUINEA.

STEAM FOR MANILA, FRIEDRICH-WILHELM-SHAFEN, SIMPSONHAFEN, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMER		SAILING DATES.
PRINZ SIGISMUND	3302 tons	TUESDAY, 6th Feb., at Noon.
WILLEHAD	4763 tons	TUESDAY, 6th March.
PRINZ WALDEMAR	3227 tons	TUESDAY, 3rd April.

ON TUESDAY, the 6th FEBRUARY, at NOON, the Steamship "PRINZ SIGISMUND," Captain Lenz, with Mails, Passengers and Cargo, will leave this port as above.
The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.
Linen can be washed on board.
RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class		1st Class	2nd Class
To MANILA	$50.—	$30.—	$20.—	return	$80.—	$50.—
To NEW GUINEA	£28.—	£18.10	£14.00	return	£42.—	£27.15
To BRISBANE	£30.—	£20.—	£14.—	return	£54.—	£36.—
To SYDNEY	£33.—	£23.—	£15.—	return	£59.10	£41.10
To MELBOURNE	£34.10	£24.10	£16.—	return	£62.5	£44.5
To YOKOHAMA	$ 80.00	$ 60.00	$ 40.00	return	$170.00	$120.
To KOBE	$ 65.00	$ 70.00	$ 50.00	return	$170.00	$120.
To YOKOHAMA and back from KOBE to HONGKONG	$140.00	$100.00				

THROUGH RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1st Class
To EUROPE VIA AUSTRALIA AND COLOMBO by Imperial Mail Steamer	£97. 0. 0.
To EUROPE VIA AUSTRALIA AND AMERICA	96. 0. 0.

From Australia to New York via Vancouver by the C.P.R. Co.'s steamers, or via San Francisco by the O. & O.S.S. Co.'s steamers, and from New York to Europe by the Magnificent Express Steamers of N.D.L.

SAILINGS OUTWARDS.
EUROPEAN & AUSTRALIAN SERVICE

YOKOHAMA and KOBE ... * WILLEHAD ... TUESDAY, 13th February
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA PRINZESS ALICE WED'DAY, 14th February
Do. BAYERN ... WED'DAY, 28th February
* Reaching Yokohama in less than six days.

TRANS-PACIFIC THROUGH TICKETS FROM HONGKONG via Vancouver or San Francisco to NEW YORK by the C.P.R. Co.'s steamers P.M.S.S. Co., O. & O. S.S. Co., T. K. K. and from NEW YORK to EUROPE by the Magnificent Express Steamers of the Norddeutscher Lloyd are issued at the following Rates:—

	1st Class
To London via Plymouth or Southampton	£62. 0. 0.
To Bremen	63. 10 0.
To Paris via Cherbourg	65. 0. 0.
To Naples, Genoa via Gibraltar	65. 0. 0.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1906. 5

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.
THE Steamship
"BENARTY"
Captain Sarchet, will be despatched as above on or about the 4th February.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 19th January, 1906. [2511

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.
THE Steamship
"GLENSTRAE,"
Captain J. McGillivray, will be despatched as above on or about THURSDAY, the 22nd Feb.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
McGREGOR BROS. & GOW,
Hongkong, 30th January, 1906. 307

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON, 1906.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS FOR
MARSEILLES AND LONDON.

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR
COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.
THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO NEW YORK.

Steamers to COLOMBO		Leave HONGKONG		Connecting Steamers from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES & LONDON		Due at MARSEILLES (Brindisi 2 days earlier)	Due at PLYMOUTH (London 1 day later)
	TONS	Noon Saturday			TONS	Saturday	Friday
ARCADIA	7000	Feb.	10	BRITANNIA	7000	Mar. 10	Mar. 16
DELHI	8000	Feb.	24	MOLDAVIA	10000	Mar. 24	Mar. 30
DONGOLA	8000	Mar.	10	MONGOLIA	10000	April 7	April 13
DELTA	8000	Mar.	24	MOOLTAN	10000	April 21	April 27
OCEANA	7000	April	7	MARMORA	10500	May 5	May 11
						Sunday	Saturday
ARCADIA	7000	April	21	VICTORIA	7000	May 20	May 26
DEVANHA	8000	May	5	HIMALAYA	7000	June 3	June 9
DELHI	8000	May	19	INDIA	8000	June 17	June 23

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for Brindisi transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said.
Accommodation in the connecting steamer from Colombo is arranged in Hongkong at time of booking.
In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following:—
INTERMEDIATE (non-transhipment) STEAMERS
WILL LEAVE FOR
LONDON.
CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

STEAMERS.	TONNAGE	Leave HONGKONG about	Leave SINGAPORE about	Due at LONDON about
† JAPAN	4500	Feb. 14	Feb. 23	Mar. 31
‡ SUMATRA	5000	Feb. 28	Mar. 9	Apr. 14
‡ NUBIA	6300	Mar. 14	Mar. 23	Apr. 28
† JAVA	4500	Mar. 28	Apr. 6	May 12
† FORMOSA	4500	Apr. 11	Apr. 20	May 26

These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta or Marseilles.
‡ "SUMATRA" and "NUBIA" call at MARSEILLES.
† "JAPAN," "JAVA" and "FORMOSA" carry only First Saloon Passengers.
For Passage apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1906. [2707

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN
JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJILATJAP	JAVA	First half of February	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	First half of February
TJIMAHI	JAVA	Second half of February	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	Second half of February
TJILIWONG	JAPAN	Second half of February	JAVA PORTS	Second half of February
TJIPANAS	JAVA	First half of March	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	Second half of March

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports on through Bills of Lading.
For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the
HEAD AGENCY OF THE
JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.
Telephone No. 375.

York Buildings, 1st Floor.
Hongkong, 5th February, 1906. [16

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

FOR MARSEILLES, HAVRE, ANTWERP (DIRECT).
Taking Cargo to LONDON with prompt transhipment at Marseilles.
Calling at MANILA, SAIGON, SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.

THE Company's Steamship
"KOUANG-SI,"
Captain Barillon, will be despatched as above on or about the 12th February, 1906.
This Steamer has accommodation for Passengers and carries a duly qualified Doctor.
For Freight, Passage and further particulars, apply to
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Queen's Building.
Hongkong, 30th January, 1906. [296

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK,
VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL
(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT MALABAR COAST).
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1905.	About
"ST. GEORGE"	15th Feb.
"SHIMOSA"	to follow.

For Freight and further information, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 12th January, 1906. 2105-213

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR
FIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT),
Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, RANGOON, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ and PORT SAID.
(Taking Cargo at through rates to the BRAZILS, to SOUTH AFRICA, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS).

THE Company's Steamship
"AUSTRIA,"
Captain Colledani, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 5th March.
This Steamer has splendid accommodation for passengers, electric light and carries a doctor and stewardess.
For information as to Passage and Freight apply to
SANDER, WIELER & CO.,
Agents,
Princes' Buildings.
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906. [3

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight
For Freight and further particulars, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
General Agents for China and Japan
Hongkong, 4th August, 1898 8

MITSU BISHI DOCKYARD AND ENGINE WORKS,
NAGASAKI.

CODE WORD: "DOCK."
A.1, A.B.C., and Engineering Code Used
NEW DOCK NOW OPEN.

DOCK No. 3.

Extreme Length	722 feet.
Length on Blocks	714 "
Width of Entrance on Top	96½ "
Width of Entrance on Bottom	88½ "
Water on Blocks at Spring Tide	34½ "

DOCK No. 1.

Extreme Length	523 feet.
Length on Blocks	513 "
Width of Entrance on Top	88 "
Width of Entrance on Bottom	77 "
Water on Blocks at Spring Tide	26½ "

DOCK No. 2.

Extreme Length	371 feet.
Length on Blocks	360 "
Width of Entrance on Top	66 "
Width of Entrance on Bottom	53 "
Water on Blocks at Spring Tide	22 "

PATENT SLIP.
Suitable for vessels up to 1,000 tons gross.

THE WORKS are well equipped with LATEST PLANTS and APPLIANCES to undertake BUILDING or REPAIRING SHIPS, ENGINES, and BOILERS; and also ELECTRICAL WORK.
A LARGE STOCK of MATERIAL is always kept on hand.
The COMPANY has the powerful steamer "OURA-MARU" (712 tons, 700 I.H.P.) specially built for SALVAGE PURPOSES equipped with necessary gear, always ready Short Notice. 1353

VESSELS IN DOCK.
ABERDEEN DOCKS.— February 3rd.
KOWLOON DOCKS.— *Knivsberg, Frithjof, Wongkoi, Syfang, Jacob Diederichsen, Kensington, Katherine Park, Nanshan, Sancheong, M. Struve, Peng Fei, Elizabeth Rickmers, Quinta, Hongkong.*
COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.— *Honam, Chihli.*

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The *Touraine*, with the French mail of Jan. 5th, left Saigon on Friday, the 2nd inst., at 8 a.m., and may be expected here to-day. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 2nd December.

☞ A Mail for MACAO, is despatched per s.s. *Wingchai* on week-days at 5.00 p.m. On Sunday the mail for Macao is closed at 8.00 a.m.

☞ Mails for CANTON, SAMSHUI and WUCHOW are closed on week-days at 7.30 a.m. and at 5.00 p.m.

Mails for *CANTON, NAMTAO, SANHUE, *KONGMOON, *KUMCHUK, *SAMSHUI, and *WUCHOW are closed every weekday, at 5 p.m. On Sundays the mails are closed at 9 a.m.

*No mails are despatched to these places on Saturday evenings, unless previously notified.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE.
Macao	*Heungshan*	Monday, 5th, 1.15 P.M.
Shanghai	*Hangsang*	Monday, 5th, 2.00 P.M.
Swatow and Shanghai	*Pakhoi*	Monday, 5th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai and Vladivostock	*Hanamont*	Monday, 5th, 4.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Colombo	*Bechuana*	Monday, 5th, 5.00 P.M.
Sandakan and Kudat	*Borneo*	Tuesday, 6th, 8.00 A.M.
Swatow	*Haiman*	Tuesday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.
Manila, Simpsonhafen, Friedrich Wilhelmshafen, Herbertshohe, Matupi, Samarai, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne	*Prinz Sigismund*	Tuesday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.
EUROPE, &c., INDIA VIA TUTICORIN (Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)	*Caledonian*	Tuesday, 6th. Printed Matter and Samples ... 10.00 A.M. Registration... 10.00 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) Registration, Kowloon B.O. ... 10.00 A.M. No late fee. Letters ... 11.00 A.M.
Macao	*Heungshan*	Tuesday, 6th, 1.15 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	*Fooksang*	Tuesday, 6th, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai	*Koonshing*	Tuesday, 6th, 2.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	*Gregory Apcar*	Tuesday, 6th, 2.00 P.M.
Amoy, Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	*Kaifong*	Tuesday, 6th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila	*Taming*	Tuesday, 6th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	*Tjilatjap*	Tuesday, 6th, 4.00 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA and VANCOUVER (B.C.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents)	*Empress of India*	Wednesday, 7th, Printed Matter and Samples ... 10.00 A.M. Registration... 10.00 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) Registration, Kowloon B.O. ... 10.00 A.M. No late fee. Letters ... 11.00 A.M.
Macao	*Heungshan*	Wednesday, 7th, 1.15 A.M.
Shanghai	*Iyeang*	Wednesday, 7th, 3.00 P.M.
Macao	*Heungshan*	Thursday, 8th, 1.15 P.M.
Yokohama and Kobe	*Tsinan*	Thursday, 8th, 3.00 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra postage 10 cents.)	*Korea*	Friday, 9th, Printed Matter and Samples ... 10.00 A.M. Registration ... 10.00 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) Registration, Kowloon B.O ... 10.00 A.M. No late fee. Letters ... 11.00 A.M.
Macao	*Heungshan*	Friday, 9th, 1.15 P.M.

TO-MORROW.

Ordinary Meeting of the Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ld., noon.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	February 3rd.
ON LONDON.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	2/0⅝
Bank Bills, on demand	2/0 1/32
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	2/0¼
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/0¾
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2/0⅞
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/1
ON PARIS.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	255½
Credits, at 4 months' sight	259½
ON GERMANY.—	
On demand	208½
ON NEW YORK.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	49⅞
Credits, 60 days' sight	50⅛
ON BOMBAY.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	151½
Bank, on demand	151⅜
ON CALCUTTA.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	151½
Bank, on demand	151⅜
ON SHANGHAI.—	
Bank, at sight	71½
Private, 30 days' sight	72½
ON YOKOHAMA.—On demand	99½
ON MANILA.—On demand—Pesos	98½
ON SINGAPORE.—On demand	16 p.c. p.m.
ON BATAVIA.—On demand	122½
ON HAIPHONG.—On demand	21 p.c. p.m.
ON SAIGON.—On demand	2 p.c. p.m.
ON BANGKOK.—On demand	61½
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	9.80
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	52.40
BAR SILVER, per oz.	30⅛

OPIUM.

Quotations are:—	C. Allowance.			February 3rd. not. to 1 catty.
Malwa New	$1010	to	—	per picul.
Malwa Old	$1070	to	—	"
Malwa Older	$1130	to	—	
Malwa V. Old	$1200	to	—	"
Persian fine quality	$1100	to	—	"
Persian extra fine	$1150	to	—	"
Patna New	$930	to	—	per chest.
Patna Old	$925	to	—	"
Benares New	$900	to	—	"
Benares Old	$900	to	—	"

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M.M. str. *Touraine* left Saigon on the 2nd Feb., at 8 a.m. for this port.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. str. *Coptic* left Yokohama for Hongkong via Manila on the 31st Jan., and is expected to arrive here on or about 11th Feb.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. str. *Empress of Japan* left Vancouver for Hongkong via usual ports of call on Thursday, the 25th Jan., p.m.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Sigismund*, from Japan, is due here on or about Monday, at noon.

The O.S.S. & C.M. str. *Peleus* left Singapore on the 30th Jan., p.m., and is due here to-day.

The O.S.S. & C.M. str. *Pingsuey*, from Pacific, left Moji on the 31st Jan., and is due here to-day.

The Glen Line str. *Glenlogan*, from London, &c., left Singapore on the 30th Jan., p.m., for this port.

The C.P.R. str. *Tartar* arrived at Shanghai at 9 a.m. on Friday, the 2nd Feb., and leaves again at 1 a.m. on Saturday for Hongkong, and is due here at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, the 6th Feb.

The N.G.L. str. *Capri* left Singapore on the 30th Jan., a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 6th Feb.

The P. & A. str. *Arabia* arrived at Yokohama on the 30th Jan., and is expected to arrive here on the 10th Feb.

The str. *Catherine Apcar*, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 3rd Feb., p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 8th Feb.

The H.A.L. str. *Saxonia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 31st Jan., a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 6th Feb., a.m.

The I.G.M. str. *Willehad* left Sydney on the 22nd Jan., at 2 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Saturday or Sunday, the 10th or 11th Feb.

The Indo-China str. *Namsang* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on the 30th Jan., and may be expected here on or about the 16th Feb.

The Bucknall Line str. *Matoppo*, from London and ports, left Colombo on the 28th Jan.

The Boston S.S. Co.'s str. *Tremont* sailed from Puget Sound on the 7th Jan. for Hongkong via the usual ports.

The Barber Line str. *Shimosa* left New York on the 16th Dec.

The Barber Line str. *Satsuma* sailed from New York for China and Japan on the 26th Jan.

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.

Jan. 9th—*Banca, Benledi, Peleus, Saxonia, Cambroman*. 12th—*Indrawadi, Persia, Trieste, Touraine*. 16th—*Alcinous, Pera, Radnorshire, Dongola, Gisela*. 19th—*Armand Behic, Bengali, Lock Tay*. 23rd—*Hector, Java, Palermo, Silesia* (Ger.), *Princess Alice, Prinz Eitel Friedrich, Rhaetia, Suevia, Yangtsze, Lothian, Laertes*. 26th—*Annam, Bonglae, Hyson, Diomed, Glaucus, Occanion, Sithonia, Ghazee, Longsor*. 30th—*Slavonia, Falkodon Hall, Glenearn, Afghan Prince, Borussia, Den of Kelly, Den of Maine*. Feb. 2—*Agamemnon, Ernest Simons, Tydeus, Dacia, Heliopolis*.

ARRIVAL AT HOME.

Feb. 2—*Manica*.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Eastern*, from Australia, &c., Mr. and Mrs. Crombie and child, Mr. and Mrs. C. Holliday, Mr. and Mrs. Narita, Maj. Gen. and Mrs. Corbin, Miss J. F. Cattell, Miss F. Brooks, Miss A. Curtis, Miss C. Curtis, Madam Beadsley, Capt. Penn, Capt. Mass, Capt. Horton, Messrs. E. H. Parrich, B. H. Denny, G. S. Siddle, Stuart S. Cohen, H. S. Rosenthal, Abellini, J. M. Cochrane, Hirao, Jorge Fernand D'Apenata and Manuel Augusto Soares.

Per *Haiman*, from Swatow, Master Ozario (2) and Mr. Blumenberg.

Per *Tsinan*, from from Australia, Mrs. and 2 Misses Cuscaden, Mrs. Phillips, Mrs. Brownlees, Mrs. Raynal, Mrs. Bernard, Messrs. Cuscaden, Linley, Hallet, Nairn, Timbrell and Davis.

DEPARTED.

Per *Rubi*, for Manila, Messrs. W. J. G. Whiley, J. S. Nichols, Mrs. F. L. Bach and child, Miss Isumi Machida, Mr. Heinrich Jacoby, Mr. and Mrs. Steeger, Mrs. and Miss Heacock.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, February 3rd.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Alhambra	$200	$100, sellers
Banks—		
Hongkong & S'hai	$125	$895, sellers; London, £96
National B. of China A. Shares	£5	$38, buyers
Bell's Asbestos E. A.	12s. 6d.	$6½, sellers
China-Borneo Co.	$12	$10, sellers
China Light & P. Co.	$10	$9, sellers
China Provident	$10	$5½.
Cotton Mills—		
Ewo	Tls. 50	Tls. 47, buyers
Hongkong	$10	$14½, buyers
International	Tls. 75	Tls. 40.
Laou Kung Mow	Tls. 100	Tls. 60.
Soychoo	Tls. 500	Tls. 250.
Dairy Farm	$8	$15½, sellers
Docks and Wharves—		
Farnham, B. & Co.	Tls. 100	Tls. 128.
H. & K. Wharf & G.	$50	$108, sellers
H. & W. Dock	$50	$165, sellers
New Amoy Dock	$6¾	$17.
S'hai & H. Wharf	Tls. 100	Tls. 230.
Fenwick & Co., Geo.	$25	$25. $24½.
G. Island Cement.	$10	$30.
Hongkong & C. Gas	£10	$175, buyers
Hongkong Electric	$10	$15½, sales & buy.
Do. New	$10	$14½, sales & buy.
H. H. L. Tramways	$100	$210.
Hongkong Hotel Co.	$50	$149.
Hongkong Ice Co.	$25	$245, buyers
Hongkong Rope Co.	$50	$152, buyers
H'Kong S. Waterboat.	$10	$12, sellers
Insurances—		
Canton	$50	$125 buyers
China Fire	$20	$88.
China Traders	$25	$91, sellers
Hongkong Fire	$50	$325, sellers
North China	£5	Tls. 92½.
Union	$100	$735.
Yangtsze	$60	$170.
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Landinv.	$100	$120, sellers x.d.
Humphrey's Estate	$10	$13, sellers
Kowloon Land & B.	$30	$40, sales
Shanghai Land	Tls. 50	Tls. 120.
West Point Building	$50	$55, sellers ex. d.
Mining—		
Charbonnages	Fcs. 250	$400.
Raubs	18/10	$4½, sellers
Philippine Co.	20	$5, buyers
Refineries—		
China Sugar	$100	$210, buyers
Luzon Sugar	$100	$25, buyers
Steamship Companies		
China and Manila	$25	$20, sales & buy.
Douglas Steamship.	$50	$40, buyers
H., Canton & M.	$15	$26, sellers
Indo-China S.N. Co.	£10	$68, buyers
Shell Transport Co.	£1	23/-, sellers
Do. Preference	£10	£8 10s.
Star Ferry	$10	$32.
Do. New	$5	$23, sellers
Shanghai & H. Dyeing	$50	$50.
South China M. Post.	$25	$20, sellers
Steam Laundry Co.	$5	$7, sellers
Do.	$5	$6½, sales & sellers
Stores & Dispensaries		
Campbell, M. & Co.	$10	$36.
Powell & Co., Wm.	$10	$10½, buyers
Watkins	$10	$6, sellers
Watson & Co., A. S.	$10	$13, buyers
United Asbestos	$4	$9, sellers
Do. Founders	$10	$160.

VERNON & SMYTH, Brokers.

BANKS

THE BANK OF TAIWAN LIMITED

(INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL CHARTER

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ... Yen 5,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP ... " 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE: TAIPEH, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:

Amoy	Kobe	Tainan
Anping	Nagasaki	Tamsui
Foochow	Osaka	Tokio
Keelung	Shanghai	Yokohama

HONGKONG OFFICE:
3, DES VŒUX ROAD.

Interest allowed on Current Account. Deposits received on terms which may be learned on application.

S. SHIGENAGA, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1904. [2478

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

Fiscal Agents of the United States in China the Philippine Islands and the Republic of Panama.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS
AUTHORISED ... ...Gold $10,000,000
CAPITAL PAID UP... ... ...Gold $3,250,000
RESERVE FUND ... ...Gold $3,250,000

HEAD OFFICE: New York.

LONDON OFFICE: Threadneedle House, E.C. Branches and Agents all over the World.

LONDON BANKERS.

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, LIMITED,
UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED,
BRITISH LINEN COMPANY BANK

The Corporation transacts every description of Banking and Exchange business, receives money in Current Account and accepts Fixed Deposits at the following rates:—

For 12 months 4½ per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " " "
" 3 " 3 " " " "

H. PINCKNEY,
Manager.

9, Queen's Road, Central,
Hongkong, 29th September, 1905. 262

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3% PER CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of $100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1902 24

BANKS

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

PAID-UP CAPITAL ... $10,000,000
RESERVE FUND—
STERLING RESERVE ... $10,000,000
SILVER RESERVE ... 8,500,000
$18,500,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROP'TORS. $10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

H. A. W. SLADE, Esq.—Chairman.
A. HAUPT, Esq.—Deputy Chairman.

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CHIEF MANAGER
Hongkong—J. R. M. SMITH

MANAGER:
Shanghai—H. E. R. Hunter.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of Two per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS.
For 3 months, 2½ per cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3½ per cent. per Annum.
For 12 months 4 per cent. per Annum.

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1905. 23

DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL ... Sh. Taels 7,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS, BERLIN.

BRANCHES:
Berlin, Calcutta, Hankow, Peking. Tientsin, Tsinanfu, Tsingtau, Yokohama.

Founded by the following Banks and Bankers:—

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LONDON BANKERS:
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THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.
DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY
DIRECTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account. DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

HUGO SUTER,
Sub-Manager.

Hongkong 9th September, 1905. [27

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL ... £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED ... 1,125,000
PAID-UP ... 562,500
RESERVE FUND ... 110,000

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily balance.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 months ... 4 %
" 6 " ... 3½ %
" 3 " ... 2½ %

A. E. LINTON,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1905. 26

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ... Yen 24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP ... " 18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED ... " 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND ... " 9,940,000

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES.

Tokyo	Kobe	Nagasaki
Osaka	Lyons	New York
London	Honolulu	Bombay
San Francisco	Tientsin	Newchwang
Shanghai	Peking	Mukden
Dalny	Chefoo	Tie-ling
Port Arthur		

LONDON BANKERS.
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED
PARR'S BANK, LIMITED.
THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent per annum on the daily balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months 5% per annum
" " " " 6 " 4% " "
" " " " 3 " 3% " "

TAKEO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd May, 1905. 27

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP ... £800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS ... £800,000
RESERVE FUND ... £875,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily balances.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent
" " 6 " 3½ "
" " 3 " 2½ "

T. P. COCHRANE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1905. 114

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